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INTERESTING MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S CLUB

There was a large attendance at the regular meeting of the Woman's club last Monday afternoon, the principal feature of the program being the suffrage talk by Miss Elsie Hill. Miss Hill explained some of the things that have been done in the cause of equal suffrage and what it is hoped to accomplish. Her talk was very interesting. The musical program consisted of a violin solo by Miss Edna Greer, two piano solos by Miss Maud Holley and a vocal solo by Mrs. G. M. Marshall. During the social hour which followed the meeting, coffee and sandwiches were served by Mrs. Marshall, assisted by Miss Cornelia Smith and Mrs. E. M. Berge.

BUYING FURNITURE FOR NEW SCHOOL BUILDING

C. R. M. Sheppard, county superintendent, was over from DeLand Tuesday and Wednesday consulting with the local school trustees on the purchase of furniture for the new school building. Supt. Sheppard expresses himself as well pleased with the way the construction work is progressing on the new building and says that indications are the work on the main building will be completed by the first of April. When finished, New Smyrna will have one of the finest school buildings in this section of the state.

ENTRANCE IS MADE THROUGH WINDOW

LARGE AMOUNT OF CASH AND BONDS OF UNCERTAIN AMOUNT ARE REMOVED FROM INSIDE THE VAULT.

Getting away with $15,000 in cold cash, burglars made a good haul from the First National bank in Daytona Monday night, according to the following story in the Daytona Daily News:

The First National bank of Daytona was burglarized at an early hour this morning, the thieves obtaining in excess of $15,000 and bonds in an amount at present unknown.

It appears that the thieves entered from a rear window of the bank after forcing an opening. It then seems that the burglars were acquainted with the combination as this method of opening the vault was used. An old savings bank book of C. M. Waterman, with the name partially obliterated, contained, according to officials of the bank, the combination, which had been scratched in. This book also gave certain dimensions of the bank's building, etc. Officials believe that one of the burglars has at some time or other had occasion to do certain work in the vault; possibly working on the time lock, and at this time he obtained possession of this old savings book and used it for the purpose of recording the combination, etc.

The burglary is quite evidently the work of accomplished crooks as they were able to carry into the bank a piece of log weighing in the neighborhood of 100 pounds, which was reinforced with rubber hose, apparently for the purpose of deadening the sound. This piece of log was used for the purpose of smashing in the inner safe situated in the vault. The thieves took away with them the time locks but overlooked two packages of currency containing $4,000 which had been prepared for transmission to the Florida National bank of Jacksonville and various other currency. Jimmy marks are visible on the rear window and a long thin tool and a cord with a fishhook on the end of it was left behind by the thieves.

These were used in severing the electrical alarm cords running into the vault.

The vault which was robbed has electrical steel lining and alarms manufactured by the American Banker's Protection company, of Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Among the bonds stolen it is known that some are the Volusia county road district bond, but the amount extracted is at present unknown.

The bank officials, very promptly, early this morning, arranged for a large amount of currency to be shipped them which arrived this evening, the shipment being made by its Jacksonville correspondents, the Florida National bank.

It is understood the First National bank is fully protected by burglary insurance. Cashier W. E. Sullivan declaring this very emphatically this morning. Cashier Sullivan lives over the bank, with his family, and he was awakened this morning about 3:30 and he and his sons William and Owen proceeded to load their shot guns. However, after visiting the bank, they eventually came to the conclusion that there was nothing to the awakenment and they were not cognizant that the bank had been burglarized until later on in the morning when the bank was opened for business.

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING POSTPONED

Because of absence from the city of some of the members and sickness in the families of others, there was no quorum present at the adjourned meeting of the Volusia County Historical society scheduled for last Monday night, and by order of the president the meeting was postponed until next Monday night. The organization of the society will be completed at that session, which will be held in the News office.

Demonstration agent here

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Mrs. Eugene Linton, aged 42, died Sunday at Hawks Park after a short illness. With her husband, Mrs. Linton came here several weeks ago from her home in Nelsonville, Ohio, to remain through the winter season. She had not been well but her condition was not considered dangerous until a few days before her death. Mr. Linton started with the body Monday for their home in Nelsonville.

INTERESTING MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S CLUB

There was a large attendance at the regular meeting of the Woman's club last Monday afternoon, the principal feature of the program being the suffrage talk by Miss Elsie Hill. Miss Hill explained some of the things that have been done in the cause of equal suffrage and what it is hoped to accomplish. Her talk was very interesting. The musical program consisted of a violin solo by Miss Edna Greer, two piano solos by Miss Maud Holley and a vocal solo by Mrs. G. M. Marshall. During the social hour which followed the meeting, coffee and sandwiches were served by Mrs. Marshall, assisted by Miss Cornelia Smith and Mrs. E. M. Berge.

BUYING FURNITURE FOR NEW SCHOOL BUILDING

C. R. M. Sheppard, county superintendent, was over from DeLand Tuesday and Wednesday consulting with the local school trustees on the purchase of furniture for the new school building. Supt. Sheppard expresses himself as well pleased with the way the construction work is progressing on the new building and says that indications are the work on the main building will be completed by the first of April. When finished, New Smyrna will have one of the finest school buildings in this section of the state.

ENTRANCE IS MADE THROUGH WINDOW

LARGE AMOUNT OF CASH AND BONDS OF UNCERTAIN AMOUNT ARE REMOVED FROM INSIDE THE VAULT.

Getting away with $15,000 in cold cash, burglars made a good haul from the First National bank in Daytona Monday night, according to the following story in the Daytona Daily News:

The First National bank of Daytona was burglarized at an early hour this morning, the thieves obtaining in excess of $15,000 and bonds in an amount at present unknown.

It appears that the thieves entered from a rear window of the bank after forcing an opening, it then seems that the burglars were acquainted with the combination as this method of opening the vault was used. An old savings bank book of C. M. Waterman, with the name partially obliterated, contained, according to officials of the bank, the combination, which had been scratched in. This book also gave certain dimensions of the bank's building, etc. Officials believe that one of the burglars has at some time or other had occasion to do certain work in the vault; possibly working on the time lock, and at this time he obtained possession of this old savings book and used it for the purpose of recording the combination, etc.

The burglary is quite evidently the work of accomplished crooks as they were able to carry into the bank a piece of log weighing in the neighborhood of 100 pounds, which was reinforced with rubber hose, apparently for the purpose of deadening the sound. This piece of log was used for the purpose of smashing in the inner safe situated in the vault. The thieves took away with them the time locks but overlooked two packages of currency containing $4,000 which had been prepared for transmission to the Florida National bank of Jacksonville and various other currency. Jimmy marks are visible on the rear window and a long thin tool and a cord with a fishhook on the end of it was left behind by the thieves.

These were used in severing the electrical alarm cords running into the vault.

The vault which was robbed has electrical steel lining and alarms manufactured by the American Banker's Protection company, of Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Among the bonds stolen it is known that some are the Volusia county road district bond, but the amount extracted is at present unknown.

The bank officials, very promptly, early this morning, arranged for a large amount of currency to be shipped them which arrived this evening, the shipment being made by its Jacksonville correspondents, the Florida National bank.

It is understood the First National bank is fully protected by burglary insurance. Cashier W. E. Sullivan declaring this very emphatically this morning. Cashier Sullivan lives over the bank, with his family, and he was awakened this morning about 3:30 and he and his sons William and Owen proceeded to load their shot guns. However, after visiting the bank, they eventually came to the conclusion that there was nothing to the awakenment and they were not cognizant that the bank had been burglarized until later on in the morning when the bank was opened for business.

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING POSTPONED

Because of absence from the city of some of the members and sickness in the families of others, there was no quorum present at the adjourned meeting of the Volusia County Historical society scheduled for last Monday night, and by order of the president the meeting was postponed until next Monday night. The organization of the society will be completed at that session, which will be held in the News office.

Demonstration agent here

R. E. Lenfest, Volusia county agent for the United States farmers' co-operative work, spent the day Tuesday in this section of the county looking after his work, and was a pleasant caller at the News office.

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(Continued from last week)

CHAPTER XVIII.

Blue Flannel and Corduroy.

THE world was snowbound—all that small world which lay between the hills in the valley at Thirty Mile For two days it snowed so heavily that all work moved but intermittently at the upriver camp and then two days before Christmas the mercury dropped sharply into the bulbs and the weather cleared

From his window Stephen O'Mara watched the heavy loads crawl up to the storehouse door He watched the drivers throw tarpaulins over the boxes and knew that they were too weary to unload that night And he was still there at the frosted pane when the three men Big Louie still plowing ahead hove into view again from the direction of the stables and came straight toward his own shack He opened the door and bade them enter before they had had a chance to knock The swagger in the shoulders of two of them told him what to expect Big Louie was only clumsy as usual

'You did well to make it' he told the latter kindly as he always addressed him His nod to the others who reeked of white whisky was in part a question in no wise a welcome "Well?" he asked

Apparently there had been a conference beforehand for there was no hesitancy on the part of Fallon who had been ordained spokesman

'We've come for our time' he growled

Steve nodded gravely

"I see he murmured 'May I ask what's your grievance this time

They were satellites of Harrigan Because of that he had kept them all where his eyes could find them at times And even though their arch leader in discontent had not crossed his path in many days he listened now to an echo of Harrigan's activities

'They're offering three a day in the reserve camps Fallon should not have gloated Three a day and a bonus for the high week cut 'We're going back to the river"

"I see again observed Steve 'Are they guaranteeing this wage for as long as you want to work?'

Apparently they had decided too that there should be no bargaining

"We want our time Fallon reiterated 'This is going to be a man's year on the river"

"You also? Steve inquired of Shayne

"Yes, me also he came back, an a hundred others before the ice goes out'

Big Louie he had given up for lost before that and yet it was with Big Louie that Steve made a sincere effort

"I'd like to have you stay Louie He faced the third man I need you for you can do more with horses than any man I know You are worth three a day to me Do you care to think it over?'

Big Louie's eyes had been mournful when he stumbled in out of the cold They were that now He started to turn toward the window for a look at the stables and then thought better of it Resolutely for him he shook his head

'I am done—done he muttered "I work for no camping that will leave honest men to starve

It was hopeless from the start yet Steve tried again

"I can promise you work as long as you are able to hold a reindeer he offered, but he moved nearer the door while he was speaking That is all I can promise '

Perhaps Fallon believed that Big Louie was weakening Perhaps he felt that the situation was too highly dramatic to be wasted for he made a wide flourish with one hand

"We want our time and we want it now,' he threatened "We're going to show you who bosses this river before we're done with you''

Fallon shouldn't have gloated he shouldn't have threatened And Shayne shouldn't have smiled Steve had slipped the hitch loose Now he swung open the door

Call for your time at the Morrison office, he said evenly, and if you're going—why go'

By collar and belt he swung him back and drove him sprawling into a drift.

'Are you in a hurry too Shayne? he asked pleasantly and Shayne buried his head beside Fallon's in the snow Then Steve closed the door carefully and turned again to Big Louie

"Louie,' he said, 'I make it a rule to urge no man who does not wish to stay If it needs persuasion to keep you I do not want you here But you are running with the wrong crowd Louie You'll learn it some day, but some day may be too late "

The big dreamy eyed man was hardly listening, but he gestured toward the door And Steve treated his departure kindly, as he had always treated his presence

Outside where Shayne and Fallon had picked themselves up Big Louie hesitated and fumbled in his pocket with a cold crimped hand He delivered the letter for Stephen which had been intrusted to him by Miss Sarah There are many men like Big Louie who are painfully faithful until events outstrip their intellects Steve was sorry for him and a half hour later after he had read Miss Sarah's prim note requesting his presence at dinner at 7 30 Christmas eve he grew sorrier still while he watched the lift assorted trio meet once more blanket piles upon their backs and snowshoes on their feet Big Louie had joined the other two from the direction of the stables There were words between them for Steve saw the huge man's arm lift to strike Shayne to the ground and then drop harmlessly back to his side And Steve knew what that bit of pantomime meant Big Louie had been to bid his team goodby There was a smudge of brown sugar across his coat though the watcher was too far away to see that. But he knew that Big Louie had been crying Knew that Shayne had smiled It was the second time that Shayne had smiled that evening—his second bad mistake Long after they had disappeared into the north toward the reserve company's camps Steve wondered that it had not cost him his life

Miss Sarah's note which had been almost a week on the way was very primly correct but the inevitable postscript which underran it sounded a more intimate note

We are not excessively formal as a rule Stephen she wrote so a dinner jacket will be adequate As I am expecting two other guests besides your friends Mr Morgan and Garrett Deveraux I must ask you to let no business matters interfere with your promptness

Steve dared not let himself wonder who those other guests would prove to be Miriam Burrell he knew had already written Gary that this was to be the saddest Christmas and the merriest that she had ever known giving as respective reasons her inability to be with him and the fact that she was so entirely his Because he would not let himself hope this time he was not disappointed or at least so he told himself, when he found only Dexter Allison with Caleb the next afternoon near 6 And on a sudden thought his eyes went roving around the room then, looking for Archibald Wickersham But Miss Sarah gave him no time for a protracted scrutiny

'Your room is ready Stephen" she told him and steered him toward the stairs You have an hour in which to dress and you know already that I am old maidenishly strict

And then three quarters of an hour later when he had dressed and turned to the stairway Embury was there at the foot of the flight waiting for him to appear In a little low pink satin gown that made rounded her slenderness made her appear even smaller than she was—she gave him an elaborate courtesy from the main floor and flung up at him her laughter

Merry Christmas Sir Galahad' she called

Steve who was only dimly aware of the fact that Gary and Pat Joe had arrived the latter guilty of his first dinner jacket and enormously proud of his guilt stood looking at Barbara while she was chattering at him without hearing distinctly a word she spoke

'You look as though I were a wraith the girl accused him 'Am I so pale after a few weeks of sophisticated air?

I thought you looked like—shall I tell you what I thought?

Most certainly she was forced to insist Wasn't it a bald enough invitation for a pretty speech?

I thought you looked like a small pink ribbon, responded Steve leisurely and, while the rest laughed at her discomfiture, Pat Joe leaned over and nudged Garry

'What'd I tell you?' he demanded. "What'd I tell you? Say, ain't he working well tonight?'

There was no keeping the girl within doors after dinner was over She ran upstairs and changed into moccasins and white blanket coat and skirt that barely met the moccasin tops halfway. And Steve, who had changed, too, and was waiting for her when she came down, had knotted a crimson scarf about the middle of his belted jacket to match the white one twisted about her throat

The man and girl climbed far that night in quite unbroken silence They had reached the crest of the first hill and stopped with the higher ridges in front of them black bulks filigreed with white, before Barbara decided that she would have to make him talk.

From the first he talked fitfully that night. On other occasions she had noted how his mind seemed to veer, whimsically from one topic to another with little apparent continuity of thought only to swing back again just when she was beginning to feel that she had lost the thread of inference to point his argument with parallels that were new and delightful wisdoms to her ears But tonight his grave voiced divergences oftener than not left her thoughts behind his thoughts

'It is a very easy country to get lost in' he remarked when he had had to insist that his sense of direction and not hers should be the one to be trusted

'It doesn't seem complicated" he pondered To a man who has come into the world with his sense of north and south and east and west all safely relegated to his backbone instead of having to depend upon the flighty functions of his brain for his guide it's about the stupidest thing there is He finds his way without thinking about the lay of the land or cross on the trees or the sun or stars But the other one—the one who has to stop and reason that he must travel so many miles to the west to reach home in the afternoon because he came that way in the morning—why he even gets to doubting his compass until night finds him without a roof over his head and no wood collected for a campfire

I shall try to remember that she answered sedately If ever I am lost I—I shall try to walk confidently for daylight and keep my eyes to the fore'

She was near to tears when he stooped and knelt in the snow to fighten a thong slipping from one webbed foot Below them stretched a plain of shimmering first points humbled by insurmountable walls of black timber Somewhere within the warmer heart of a swamp a fox yapped hungrily somewhere within her own heart his whimsical discourse had awakened a sense of the mystery of his wilderness—its friendship for those who love it—its implacable enmity for those who do not understand And he looked up just when that emotion came flooding into her face

It is wonderful—wonderful—wonderful she breathed throwing out both arms with that ecstatic impulsiveness which he knew so well Now I know why you said men always return to it once they have felt its spell

You are fairer than you know'' came back from him almost gruffly again and she could not parry with lightness so swift and stirred a speech

You always tell me very pretty things was all she could think of to say in reply

But then rising he flung back his hood and shook himself as if throwing off a burden to contemplate silence He laughed aloud and from that minute until he loosed her feet from the snowshoes he was a little boy blue flannel and corduroy lover again But his attitude no longer made her feel petted

If I cared for you yes he made her admit before he would let her go in that night If I cared for you my enjoyment to no man could stand in the way But that is the reason I know I do not care

She had seen him grave with doubt that night, seen him fight to shake it off There was doubt in his answer now

Because I am not"— But he could not force himself to ask it.

Because I could never care as you would demand the woman should care who marries you,"

She wanted to help him a little, she didn't know just why Pity is a very dangerous emotion when pity is not sought

'You are loving me that way this minute he said but his words were dogged Loving me more than you know

There was neither reference to her letter nor mention of that night at Thirty Mile when she had stolen out to bid him goodby Other long tramps followed on other pale and zero nights but his attitude remained much the same

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You will be coming back," he told her again the day he put her on the train You will be back in the spring?

It was his old, hopeful challenge with all the hope left out

'I think so she faltered in return I mean to come and see the completion of your work if father will let me She knew a moment of confusion I wonder many nights if you are safe up here in the hills"

Indeed Miss Sarah had made progress though the surface indications were small The girl would never think of him again simply in terms of blue flannel and corduroy But that was not the most disturbingly vivid memory which she carried away with her

'I love you" He framed the words silently as the train was pulling out and although their positions were reversed the moment was so reminiscent of that day when he had leaned out of her father's switch engine cab and asked if she wanted a ride that it made her throat ache

She waved a small gloved hand to him on the platform.

She did not want to go.

(To be continued)

"And if you're going—why, go!"

LOW TIDES ON THE BEACH

Afternoon and forenoon tides come at approximately the same hour and minute

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2	6 59	8 35	10 04	8 22	9 43
3	8 04	9 37	10 58	9 31	10 30
4	9 05	10 30	11 17	10 24	11 17
5	10 03	11 25	12 31	11 14	11 57
6	10 55	12 10	1 07	11 58	12 37
7	11 48	12 56	1 46	12 38	1 13
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Bethlehem's Bid on Shells for the United States Navy

To the American People

The Secretary of the Navy has awarded contracts amounting to over $3 000 000 to a British bidder for 14 and 16 inch projectiles for the Navy because of very much lower prices offered by the English bidders

We know nothing of the basis upon which the British bids were made but the public is entitled to know the facts upon which we ourselves bid for this work

Two years ago we took contracts to make 1 260 14 inch shells at a price of $1 515 000. Up to now not a single shell has been accepted by the Government although we have expended in wages, materials, etc., on these orders $522 814, and we have not received a SINGLE DOLLAR on these contracts

In addition a literal interpretation of the contract might make us liable for penalties running into $ [illegible]

In the light of our experience and having no other basis, we bid for 16 inch shells approximately the same rate per pound as that which the Navy Department actually awarded a 14-inch shell contract one year ago

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STATE NEWS NOTES

Twenty four churches of Tampa have joined in a union revival meeting to begin March 11 and to continue for three weeks

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J E Raddy aged 24 met death in the swimming pool of the Y M C A at Jacksonville He was stricken with paralysis while swimming

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Aviators at West Palm Beach for the winter are making flights over to Tampa and vicinity and back as a matter of exercise for themselves and the rubbernecks along the route

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Manatee county is making some noise over the fact that within one weeks time it shipped over $75 000 worth of garden truck to northern markets

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Governor Catts has appointed J S Andrews as sheriff of Holmes county to fill out the unexpired term of the former sheriff who died the first of last week

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A special road and bridge district embracing the southern half of Lafayette county has voted by a majority of four to one $[illegible] 000 in bonds to make needed improvements

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Governor Catts was the guest of, and addressed the Osceola county fair at Kissimmee He congratulated the people for such a magnificent showing

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The Gibbs Gas company plant located in South Jacksonville was entirely destroyed by fire It is estimated that the damage was about $50 000 It was completely insured

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The erection of a new theater has been begun at Stewart The building will be 40 by [illegible] feet built of concrete blocks and will have a seating capacity of nearly 400 people

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After months and months of sweating Arcadia is to have a union passenger station of the Atlantic Coast Line the Charlotte Harbor and Northern and the East and West Coast

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The new postoffice building for Orlando will be completed by February 1 1918 The great increase in business of the Orlando postoffice has necessitated more commodious quarters

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Dr E M Nighbert announces the possibility of erecting an interstate dipping vat for tick cattle at Kissimmee Dr Nighbert is at the head of the tick eradication work in Florida

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I W Bernheim of Louisville Ky, has adopted plans for the erection of a five story one hundred room hotel at West Palm Beach It will be directly opposite the Royal Poinciana and will be one of the finest hotels in Florida

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Three dipping vats have been built in Leon county and two more have been provided for the county commissioners have given one hundred dollars toward one of them It is their ambition to have a tick free county at the earliest possible date

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Physicians of Tampa are organizing a sanitarium company with a capital of $[illegible] for the purpose of erecting equipping and maintaining a modern hospital in that city It will be named the William Pitt Lawrence hospital Dr J S Melnis is the president

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A hughe syrup mill with a capacity of 950 gallons at one boiling has been opened on the road between Kissimmee and St Cloud The mill is owned by J W Wilson Jr who believes firmly that the making of syrup will eventually become one of the leading industries

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Growers are taking steps to erect a $20 000 cane syrup factory at Wauchula so great is the industry in and about that section It is estimated that the plant will net $18 000 the first year off of 300 acres of cane Five acres will produce 100 tons of cane, it is said

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Because he failed to discriminate between an accelerator and a brake, Frank Adams of Palm Beach shot out of the public parking in his five passenger car at West Palm Beach and crashed into the front door of a bank crashing plate glass and smashing the car frightfully but injuring no one

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OBJECT

The object of this Association is to secure from the Federal Congress appropriations for the acquisition either by purchase or condemnation proceedings, the entire East Coast Canal from Jacksonville to Key West. To work in conjunction with the Atlantic Deeper Waterways Association in the furtherance of their project.

"DEEP WATER," Our Slogan.

WOODROW WILSON CANAL

J. H. Drummond, of St. Andrews, Florida, is advocating a water route which he proposes to call the Woodrow Wilson Canal, to connect the waters of the Ocamulgee river, which is an affluent of the Altamaha river, with the Flint river at a point near Albany, Georgia, both streams being of navigable depth at the points where the connection would be made. The proposed canal would be about 45 miles in length. This route he suggests as an alternative to the several routes across Florida by way of the St. Marys or the Upper St. Johns rivers.

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Much of the talk about "pork barrel" appropriations is pure bunk. When Philadelphia gets something for the Navy Yard the press of a dozen rival cities shouts that political interests have been getting in their work. As a matter of fact, the efficiency of our naval establishment has been seriously handicapped by this sort of provincialism. There ought to be a navy yard at New York, there ought to be one at Philadelphia, another at Norfolk, another at Charleston and another on the Gulf coast, probably at Pensacola. Instead of these contesting cities fighting every move for improvements at another, they ought to work together and the nation ought to work with them, for such appropriations as can be economically used for bringing each of the several stations to the highest point of efficiency. There is more bunk handed to the people when real preparedness is undertaken than the most dyspeptic citizen ever dreamed of.—Philadelphia Ledger.

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The report of the building inspector of Daytona shows that the total estimated value of new buildings erected during the year 1916 was $179,405. The total number of permits issued was 103.

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There is no frost line in Florida or any other state in the Union and all of them get their bumps now and then. After all Florida is the best all around state in the Union.—Sanford Herald.

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Messrs. Lambert and Moody have closed another large turpentine deal, having purchased the Relay Turpentine company's holdings located just west, of Dupont. There is 16,000 acres of turpentine timber in this tract, and it is considered one of the best turpentine tracts in this part of the state.

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In the agriculture appropriation bill, which has passed the senate, is included an appropriation of $430,000 for the continuation of the campaign for the eradication and control of citrus canker disease in Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas. Of this sum $180,000 is to become immediately available to continue the campaign from now until July 1. The other $250,000 is to be used during the next fiscal year, with the stipulation that none of it shall be spent unless the states, counties or municipalities contribute work to equal, dollar for dollar, with the federal government.

ARGUMENT IN CANAL HEARING IN SUPREME COURT TODAY

DECISION OF COURT WILL SETTLE LAW

ATTORNEY GENERAL GIVES FULL EXPLANATION OF PETITION AND MOTION TO QUASH ALTERNATIVE WRIT.

The secretary of the Florida East Coast Canal association has received the following letter from Attorney T. F. West, dated February 24, in explanation of the suit started in behalf of the state of Florida to compel the East Coast Canal company to either put the canal in the condition called for under its contract with the state, or deed the lands received back to the state:

"For your information I am enclosing herewith copy of petition and copy for writ of mandamus which I have filed on behalf of the state against the Florida East Coast Canal and Transportation company to compel this company to restore the canal to the prescribed dimensions of width and depth under the law, together with a copy of the motion to quash the alternative writ issued in the case, commanding the company forthwith to proceed to restore and maintain the canal.

"The motion to quash has been set for argument next Friday (today) in the supreme court. The hearing and the decision of the court on this motion will settle the law of this case, and I hope to be able to move the matter along after that time to a speedy consumation of the results which we expect to secure by this proceeding.

"As soon as a decision is reached after the hearing, I will notify you and will keep you advised of developments in the litigation."

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The position of the state of Florida ex rel Thomas F. West as Attorney General, who sues for the state of Florida and for the people of the state of Florida, in this behalf comes on the 30th day of January, during the January term of said court in the year of 1917, while said court is sitting and respectfully shows:

I

That the relator, Thomas F. West, is the duly elected, commissioned and acting Attorney General of the state of Florida, and the respondent, Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation, company, is a corporation, organized as a canal and transportation company under the laws of the state of Florida and particularly chapter 1987 of the acts of 1874, entitled, "An act to provide a general law for the incorporation of railroads and canals," as amended by chapter 3166 of the acts of 1879, laws of Florida, by which amendment aid from the state in the way of the grants of land was authorized and given to railroad and canal companies incorporated under said act, copies of the articles of association of said respondend corporation with the amendments thereto on file in the office of the secretary of state being hereto attached marked exhibits "A-1," "A-2," "A-3" and "A-4" and made a part herenf.

II

That the respondent owns and pretends to maintain for public use in the carrying of passengers and property by vessel and other watercraft, a certain canal composed of artificial and natural waterways paralleling the East Coast of Florida and lying wholly within the state of Florida and extending from the St. Johns river on the north, beginning at a point where Pablo creek enters the St. Johns river, thence in a southerly direction by canal to North river, thus connecting the navigable waters of St. Johns river with the navigable waters of North river; thence in a southerly direction through North river into Matanzas river; thence through Matanzas river and in a southerly direction by canal from Matanzas river into and through Smith's creek to Halifax river, thus connecting the navigable waters of Matanzas river with the navigable waters of Halifax river; thence in a southerly direction through Halifax river and various canals, cuts and excavations into the navigable waters of Mosquito Lagoon, thus connecting the navigable waters of Halifax river with the navigable waters of Mosquito Lagoon; thence in a southerly direction through Mosquito Lagoon to the narrow strip of land separating Mosquito Lagoon from Indian river, thus connecting the navigable waters of Mosquito Lagoon with the navigable waters of Indian river; thence in a southerly direction through Indian river by various excavations, cuts and canals into Peck lake; thence in a southerly direction through Peck lake, South Jupiter narrows, Hobes Sound, Jupiter Sound, Lake Worth creek and various excavations, cuts and canals into Lake Worth, thus connecting the navigable waters of the Indian river with the navigable waters of Lake Worth; thence in a southerly direction through Lake Worth to its southern shore; thence in a southerly direction from Lake Worth by canal into and through Hollsborough river, Lake Mable and various excavations, cuts and canals into Biscayne bay, thus connecting the navigable waters of Lake Worth with the navigable waters of Biscayne Bay, thereby providing and affording a navigable inland waterway from Jacksonville to Miami, the location of said canal and waterway being indicated generally by a dotted line on the map of the state of Florida, copy of which is hereto attached, marked exhibit "B" and made a part hereof, but more acurately by a blue print of an actual survey of said canal, copy of which is also hereto attached, marked exhibit "C" and made a part hereof.

III

That although said respondent was authorized by its articles of association to extend said canal southward to Key West, this was never done, and the southern terminus of said canal and waterway is Biscayne bay.

IV

That in addition to cutting and maintaining the canals authorized and necessary for the purpose of connecting the waters of the natural streams and providing and affording navigation to the public, the said respondent was and is authorized and required to remove all shoals, oyster banks or other obstruction to the complete navigation of said waterway from the St. Johns river on the north to the Biscayne Bay on the south, to the end that a channel of the dimensions fixed and prescribed by the specifications for said canal hereinafter referred to for the entire length of the said waterway may be afforded and a safe and inexpensive means of transportation for the people of the state thereby provided and maintained.

V

That the state of Florida, in order to aid financially in the construction of said canal, by chapters 3166 of the acts of 1879, laws of Florida, 3641 of of the acts of 1885, laws of Florida and 3995 of the acts of 1889, laws of Florida, did grant and thereby authorize and direct the trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of the state of Florida to convey to said respondent large acreages of land held by said state lying adjacent to the line of said canal, and in pursuance of said authority and direction the said trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund did, from time to time, make conveyances of the land so granted to said respondent until the aggregate acreage so granted and conveyed to said respondent by the state of Florida for said purpose was 1,031,128 acres.

VI

That in addition to the land grant to said respondent contained in chapter 3995 of the acts of 1889, laws of Florida, for the purpose of aiding and facilitating the construction of said canal and thus affording transportation to the people of the state, specifications for said canal were prescribed by the legislature and it was therein provided that the said canal and waterway of said respondent should not be less than 50 feet wide and not less than 5 feet deep at mean low water for the entire distance of said canal, and that it should be so maintained by said respondent; and it was provided in said act that no conveyance of any lands reserved for that purpose should be made by the trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund to said respondent for any portion of the said canal and waterway between St. Augustine and Biscayne bay which should remain uncompleted in accordance with such specifications at the end of five (5) years from the first day of June A. D., 1889; and it was further provided in said act that said respondent should accept the provisions thereof within sixty (60) days after it has been approved by the governor and should file a notice of such acceptance with the trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund, which acceptance should be held to constitute a contract between the state of Florida and said respondent in accordance with the provisions of said act. And this relator, for and on behalf of said state of Florida, avers that said respondent did accept the provisions of said act and did file a notice of its acceptance as therein required to be filed with the trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund, a copy of which acceptance is hereto attached, marked exhibit "D" and made a part hereof.

VII

That thereafter, by chapter 4284, of the acts of 1893, laws of Florida, the time for the completion of said canal according to said specifications was extended for four (4) years from the 1st day of June A. D., 1893, and said extension and the conditions thereof were accepted by said respondent as required by said act and notice of such acceptance was filed with the trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund as therein required, a copy of such notice being hereto attached, marked exhibit "E-1" and made a part hereof; that thereafter by chapter 4623 of the acts of 1897, the time for the completion of the said canal, according to said specifications, was extended to the 1st day of January, A. D., 1898, and said extension and the conditions thereof were accepted by said respondent as required by said act and notice of such acceptance was filed with the trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund as therein required, a copy of such notice being hereto attached marked exhibit 'E-2" and made a part hereof; that thereafter, by chapter 4846 of the acts of 1899, laws of Florida, the time for the completion of said canal, according to said specifications, was extended for four (4) years from the 1st day of January, A. D., 1899, and said extension and the conditions thereof were accepted by said respondent as required by said act and notice of such acceptance was filed with the trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund as therein required, a copy of such notice being hereto attached, marked exhibit "E-3" and made a part hereof; that thereafter, by chapter 5279 of the acts of 1903, laws of Florida, the time for the completion of said canal, according to said specifications, was extended to the 1st day of June, A. D., 1905, and said extension and the conditions thereof were accepted by said respondent as required by said act and notice of such acceptance was filed with the trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund as therein required, a copy of such notice being hereto attached, marked exhibit "E-4" and made a part hereof.

VIII

That notwithstanding the liberality of said state to said respondent, as evidenced donation of more than one million (1,000,000) acres of land for the purpose of aiding in the construction and maintenance of said canal and the apparently almost inexhaustible patience of the said state, evidenced by the granting of said several extensions of time for the completion of said canal according to said specifications, the said respondent had not completed said canal at the expiration of the period covered by the last extension, that is to say, on June 1, 1905, whereupon the said trustees of the Internal Improvement fund refused to convey to said respondent large acreages of land claimed by it under said legislative grants, the title to which was held by said trustees as hereinbefore stated.

IX

That thereafter, on December 1, A. D., 1906, a contract was entered into by said trustees of the Internal Improvement fund and the said respondent, wherein it is recited that it is recognized by the parties thereto that great benefits would accrue to the state by the completion of the said canal to the St. Johns river, in the drainage and reclamation of lands, the increasing of tax values, the furnishing of transportation facilities to a large portion of the East Coast of Florida, as well as enhancing the value of said canal as a transportation line to said company and to the public, and it was agreed by said company in said contract that it would complete said canal according to said specifications; that it would cut and construct that portion of said canal from St. Augustine to the St. Johns river, according to said specifications, and as originally proposed and authorized, but not theretofore constructed, and that it would pay over to said trustees the sum of fifty thousand dollars ($50,000), in consideration of which and in consideration of the work of said respondent in draining and reclaiming certain swamp and overflowed lands through which said waterway would run, the trustees agreed to convey to said respondent the lands claimed by it to have been earned under said grants of the legislature of the state, a copy of which said contract is hereto attached, marked exhibit "F" and made a part hereof.

X

That said contract was substantially carried out and performed by the parties thereto and the said canal was regarded by them as completed according to said specifications, and on the 23rd day of November, A. D. 1912, the last deed to be delivered to said respondents in compliance with the terms and conditions of said contract was delivered to and accepted by it.

XI

That thereupon it became and is the legal duty of said respondent under said several contracts, as well as under the law prescribing the public duties of transportation lines and carriers of the character of this respondent, to maintain said canal and waterway at all times and at all points on and along said canal and waterway according to the specifications prescribed and fixed by said statute, that-is-to-say, it was and is the legal duty of said respondent to maintain said canal at a width of not less than 50 feet and at a depth of not less than five feet at mean low water for the entire distance of said canal from its intersection with said St. Johns river on the north to Biscayne bay on the south, and said relator says that unless said canal is so maintained it will serve no useful purpose to the public, transportation for the people of the state of Florida by boat, vessel and other craft on said waterway will not be afforded, the intent and purpose of the waterway as hereinbefore stated will be defeated and respondent will escape from and be relieved of the duty imposed upon it by law to so maintain said canal.

XII

That notwithstanding the duty of said respondent to the people of the state of Florida and the public generally, the said relator, as attorney general of the state, avers and informs this honorable court that the said Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation company, the said respondent, has not maintained its said canal and waterway according to said specifications and as required by law, but, on the contrary, it has neglected its duty so to do and has failed to maintain said canal at a width of not less than 50 feet and a depth of not less than five feet at mean low water; that practically nothing is being done, particularly on the southern portion of said canal, in the way of maintenance and for months at a time great stretches of said waterway are neglected and practically abandoned by said respondent and permitted to remain at less than 50 feet in width and less than five feet in depth at mean low water.

That, measured from St. Augustine and beginning at the southern terminus of said canal, indicated by check marks in red ink on the blue print hereto attached, the said canal and waterway has been permitted to shoal and partially fill up and become narrow and at the following points is now and has for months been permitted to remain at less than 5 feet deep at mean low water and less than 50 feet wide, namely: at and near mile posts 314 and 313 in Biscayne bay; at and near the entrance of said canal and waterway into Biscayne bay; at the entrance of said canal into Dumfounding bay from the south between mile posts 309 and 308; at and near mile ost 308 in Dumfounding bay; at and near mile posts 303 and 302; at and near mile post 300; at and near mile posts 299, 298, 297, 296, 295, 294, 293, 292, 291, 290, 289 and 288; at and near mile posts 285, 284 and 283; at and near mile posts 281 and 280; at and near mile posts 265 and 264; at and near mile posts 94, 93 and 92; at and near mile posts 79, 78, 77, 76, and 75; at and near mile posts 52, 51 and 50; at and near mile posts 48, 47, 46, 45, 44, 43, 42, and 41; at and near mile posts 48, 47, 46, 45, 44, 43, 42 and 41.

That at said points and at various and sundry other points easily ascertainable by examination, measurement and test, along said canal and waterway, and for great stretches of said waterway it is only 3 to 3½ and 4 feet in depth and is only 30 to 40 feet in width, particularly on the northern portion of said canal and the waterway in a northerly direction to where said canal and waterway enters the navigable waters of Indian river, and from the canal connecting Indian river with Mosquito Lagoon in a northerly direction to the town of Ormond.

That the work proposed to be done by said respondent by way of restoration and maintenance of said canal and waterway is wholly inadequate and will be practically of no value or benefit to said respondent or to the public, as will appear by reference to a letter recently written to the general manager of said respondent by the chief drainage engineer of the state of Florida after personal inspection of said canal and waterway by said engineer and this relator, copy of which letter is hereto attached marked "G" and made a part hereof.

XIII

That the said respondent in failure to maintain said canal and waterway in compliance with said specifications and as required by law in the performance of its public duty, is evading and shirking the obligations and duties which it owes to the state of Florida and the general public, is subjecting the public to great inconvenience and damage, depriving them of convenient, inexpensive and certain transportation for themselves, their freight and their products, and injuring and destroying the industries of the people, retarding and hindering the development of the state, thereby defeating in a large measure the object and intent of the state in aiding in the construction and maintenance of said canal and the purpose for which said waterway was constructed, and is escaping its obligations and duties to the public to the great wrong and injury, loss and damage of the state of Florida and the public generally.

XIV

That the relator for and on behalf of the said state further avers and shows unto this honorable court that the people of the said state and the public generally are without remedy in the premises unless it be aforded by interposition of this court as herein prayed.

Whereupon this relator, for and on behalf of the state of Florida, prays that an alternative writ of mandamus be issued by this court directed to the Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation company, a corporation under the laws of the state of Florida, the said respondent commanding the said Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation company to forthwith proceed in the performance of its public duty to restore said canal and waterway to its original dimensions according to the specifications prescribed by law, that is to say, to a width of not less than 50 feet and a depth of not less than 5 feet at mean low water for the entire length of said canal and waterway from the St. Johns river on the north to Biscayne bay on the south, and particularly to restore said canal and waterway to a width of not less than 50 feet and a depth of not less than 5 feet at mean low water at the following points, measured from St. Augustine and beginning at the southern terminus of said canal, namely: at and near mile posts 314 and 313 in Biscayne bay; at and near the entrance of said canal and waterway into Biscayne bay; at the entrance of said canal, into Dumfounding bay from the south betwen mile posts 309 and 308; at and near mile post 308 in Dumfounding bay; at and near mile post 303 and 302; at and near mile post 300; at and near mile posts 299, 298, 297, 296, 295, 294, 293, 292, 291, 290, 289 and 288; at and near mile posts 285, 284 and 283; at and near mile posts 281 and 280; at and near mile posts 265 and 264; at and near mile posts 94, 93 and 92; at and near mile posts 79, 78, 77, 76, and 75; at and near mile posts 52, 51 and 50; at and near mile posts 48, 47, 46, 45, 44, 43, 42 and 41; and at various and sundry other points easily ascertainable by examination, measurement and test along said canal and waterway; and particularly on the southern portion of said canal and waterway from Miami in a northerly direction to where said canal and waterway enters the navigable waters of the In-

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FLORIDA CANAL PROJECTS

It will be remembered that the engineers' surveys on the intracoastal route between Beaufort Inlet, North Carolina and Key West, Florida, stopped at the St. Johns river and decision as to any route beyond that river was deferred for later investigation and report. There are two possible routes, one following the coastal thoroughfares from a point near the mouth of the St. Johns river all the way through to Biscayne bay, the other proceeding up the St. Johns river to a point near its source and thence by a cut overland rejoining the coastal thoroughfares about half way down the coast line. A supplemental report was recently filed by Cols. Langford, Kelly and Ladue, adverse to the purchase of the existing canal, the construction of a canal over a parallel route, or the present maintenance of such a waterway by the gavernment on the ground of insufficient commercial or military use. This report is now waiting action by the board of engineers for rivers and harbors. At the annual meeting of the Florida East Coast Canal association, which was held at Fort Lauderdale November 14th and 15th, resolutions were adopted requesting the board of engineers for rivers and harbors to postpone final action on this adverse report until such time as residents of Florida, desirious of securing an improved water route, can prepare a fitting answer. The résolutions declare belief in the ability of an adequately and properly maintained inland waterway along the East Coast of Florida to add materially to the development of the territory and, by savings on transportation charges on tonnage carried, to pay within a few years the entire cost of such a waterway. The co-operation of Senators Fletcher and Bryan, of Florida, Representative Sears and this association was requested toward securing a hearing on the coast canal project. Mr. H. I. Hamilton, secretary of the Florida association, advises us that they plan to have the state legislature create a "Canal District" and through such action operating under existing laws, then to be in a position to straighten out the present somewhat confused relations as between the canal company, the state of Florida and the Federal Government.—Bulletin of the Atlantic Deeper Waterways Association.

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GOOD GOVERNMENT SPREADS

According to the Literary Digest, now that nearly one hundred small cities throughout the country have city managers, some of the largest municipalities are beginning to consider abandoning present forms of government in favor of an executive selected by "directors." It seems that the change is now being advocated by the leading dailies in Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Chicago, Kansas City and Minneapolis. When reading of the advanced step urged and advocated for big and progressive cities, it may be well for the people of New Smyrna to consider that if the city-manager form of government has pulled other cities out of their municipal difficulties there is pretty good prospect that it will help to extricate this city from the condition it is in at this time. "Engineering and Contracting," published in Chicago has the following to say concerning the city-manager plan: "In Cleveland, for example, a nominating committee appointed by 50 civic organizations has just met to consider the selection of 15 men to investigate the city-manager plan. Among the members of this committee is Dr. Charles S. Howe, president of the Case School of Applied Science. The Cleveland Press urges a change in the city charter to enable the city to adopt the modern method of managing a city like a stock company. The Press says: 'The conduct of city affairs should be in the hands of a thoroughly trained and well tried city manager, chosen not for a definite period, but to hold office as long as he does his work well.' At last the American public begins to see that periodic selection of councilmen and mayors by election is a poor way of getting good municipal government. Imagine a railway system operated under the direction of men selected anew every two to four years by popular vote! the glib speaker, the sweet smiler, the hearty hand gripper would then have a better chance of being president of the railway than the man who had spent all his life studying railway construction and operation. The fact is that our entire system of 'representative government,' in which representation comes solely through elections, is an uneconomic system and is destined shortly to be changed."

THE FISH COMMISSION

The News has received a copy of the report of the state shell fish commission, in which Commissioner T. R. Hodges has set forth the work of the department for the past two years. The report is not only interesting reading, but it is embellished with some valuable photographs showing the various fish found in the waters of Florida. This makes the book valuable as a contribution to the literature of Florida. The report shows that the shell fish commission collected $45,949.58 during the biennial period and, after paying all expenses of deputy and patrol service and the purchase of much equipment, has a cash balance in its fund of $9,361.80. The department has certainly been most efficient in enforcing the laws on the subject over which it has jurisdiction and Commissioner Hodges is to be congratulated on being able to make such a report.

HICKSON PREDICTS THE FASHIONS

Hickson, the best known creator of tailored suits on Fifth avenue, makes the following fashion predictions in Harper's Bazar for March, now ready: "Broadly speaking, the straight silhouette will continue; skirts will be noticeably narrower, jackets will be shorter, and an appearance of simplicity will be striven for. Perfect tailoring, plain cloth and bone or self colored buttons are the striking features of nine out of ten costumes; and even in top and motor coats plain fabric, especially coverts, are more modish than the stripes and checks of a short time ago.

W. C. T. U.

By Mrs. W. H. Newell.

At the meeting of the W. C. T. U. held Monday afternoon the resignationof Mrs. B. F. Green as secretary was received and accepted and Mrs. C. A. Roach was elected secretary to succeed Mrs. Green. Mrs. Green tendered her resignation in order that she might take up the work of the Loyal Temperance Legion. At the close of the business session an interesting program on "Franchise" prepared by Mrs. Roach was given.

Franchise

In studying the word "franchise" we find that much stress is laid on the two words "privilege" and "free," and until the day comes when all the women of our country have the privilege of voting, we cannot say that our sex is entirely free, as many of our sisters in all parts of the land are in bondage, caused by the awful curse of drink. It is the duty of every broad minded woman of today to do her part in trying to get control of the polls when it comes to a wet and dry election. Let us not be asleep at our post but stand ready to grasp every opportunity that comes our way, and show the men what a better world this will be when the fair sex steps into the harness to do what they can for the ones addicted to the awful habit of drink. Let us then, as a band of faithful women, keep up courage and never falter until the day comes when we can go to the polls, and cast our votes against the selling of intoxicating drinks. It is often said women are good fighters. Well, the fight is on right now, today, and we are bound to win. "The hand that rocks the cradle, rules the world."

Coronado W. C. T. U.

The Coronado W. C. T. U. held its regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. J. H. Vrooman. The subject for discussion was "Medical Temperance." A number of papers were read and discussed.

Only a few years ago, alcohol, in some of its many forms, was one of the standard remedies for almost any sickness. Today, our best physicians are practically agreed that it has little if any, place in medicine. The Manatee County Medical association has passed a resolution discouraging its use. It is to be hoped that our physicians, all over the state, will follow their example

Mrs J. H. Vrooman and Mrs. G. C. Silsby were appointed by the union to confer with our resident and visiting physicians on the subject.

The faculty of the New Smyrna school was entertained at a picnic dinner at the club house on Saturday. It was certainly a step in the right direction. Our teachers and W. C. T. U. members should become better acquainted as we have a common interest. Who can say how much the teaching of scientific temperance in the public school has done to advance this tidal wave that it now sweeping over our country? It is surely advancing and may it never recede until the last saloon is washed away.

On Sunday evening at the church, one of Mrs. Silsby's medal contests, interspersed with Victrola music was thoroughly enjoyed. We feel especially indebted to Mrs. Liming for her assistance at the organ. We want her here every winter and will keep her here as long as we can. The contestants for the medal were little girls from eight to twelve years of age from New Smyrna. Those taking part were Ruth Riley, Susie Childress, Alice Lee McAuley, Helen Childress, Macie Sheldon, Ellen Ashton. The speaking showed thorough work and was all so well done that is was difficult to decide which should have the medal. It was presented by Mrs. W. L. Cooper to Alice Lee McAuley, whose recitation was entitled, "Ma Can't Vote."

All this is but educational. It serves to keep the subject before the people, but if our nation is to go dry in 1920, there is real work to be done. The cause is moving forward so rapidly that we can scarcely keep informed as to its progress. But it would never do for any part of the great temperance organization to relax its vigilance for a single moment. Our great national prohibition bill is in danger of being crowded out of congress for lack of time. Only a few more days until the 4th of March and so much to be done. With 25 states dry, three more ready to submit the question to the vote of the people, and at least six more in which strenuous efforts are being put forth to join the drys, it would seem that the time had come for national prohibition. If this session of congress does not pass the bill, just look to the next, and look harder. If necessary, our congressmen should be so deluged with letters and petitions that they would be glad to pass the bill. We hear much of preparedness for war. As a war measure, Russia prohibited the sale of vodka, and France the use of absinthe. England has also her temperance legislation. What could be better as a first step toward preparedness in the United States than the abolition of the liquor traffic. At the mere suggestion of such a measure, what a cry went up from the brewer! Their "personal liberty," or rather their nefarious buisness, that was in danger was worth more to them than our young manhood or the honor of their country. Let us keep at it on every side. The time is not far distant when this shall indeed be "the land of the free." Free from the enthralment of the liquor traffic.

MRS. P. R. TUCKER.
Press Supt., W. C. T.U.,
of Coronado.

BAZAAR GIVEN BY LADIES OF THE CORONADO CLUB

The women of the Coronado club gave a bazaar in the club house the morning and afternoon of Washington's birthday and the affair proved an attraction for a large number of people. As a result of their efforts the women cleared about $125, which will be given by the ladies toward the erection of a new clubhouse.

"An abstract noun is the name of something of which we can think, but which we cannot touch," said a teacher to a pupil. "Give me an example." "A redhot poker, sir!"—London Tit-Bits.

The Scots in Ulster first established linen manufactories during the reign of James I., and from this beginning has the business of the present day developed

ANCIENT CITY MEN EXPLAIN WORKINGS

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eliminate partisan politics from their municipal affairs and keep them eliminated and to back up and support the more centralized government.

Men of large affairs demand broad authority and broad authority develops and attracts capable executives. This authority carries responsibility and this responsibility imposes upon the executive caution. The executives with broad authority and using caution accomplish results.

There must be in the ideal government a clear line of demarcation between legislative and administrative authority—confusion in authority leads to confusion in results. Communities, that, for any reason, cannot give broad authority to the executive are not ready for the ideal and should accept a more modified centralized authority and not call it a city-manager form. Communities that are ready to grant this broader authority to the executive or chief administrative head of the government, the city manager, are ready to avail themselves of the opportunities for vast improvement and better municipal conditions by the adoption of a commission-manager charter.

Lack of authority allows for excuses and explanations, clean cut authority and responsibility assure clean cut men and clean cut results

It is unfortunate to a certain extent that many people have come to look upon commission-manager government as a panacea for all municipal ills. Such is not the case. A commission-manager charter, properly drafted, merely provides the best tools known with which to work. Unfortunate also is the fact that in many communities the leading citizens who have successfully carried through a campaign for a commission-manager charter, have felt that once this charter is adopted their labors are ended. Nothing can be further from the fact. As I have said, good government—its inception and continuation—depends entirely upon an enlightened citizenship. One adopted, it is the duty of the citizens responsible for the change to stand behind the men they have placed upon the commission and not only show their confidence in the commissioners they have elected but great patience in allowing the commissioners ample time to recognize, readjust and build up a working organization.

Now, as to the detailed organization, under commission-manager government: As I have said the only elective officers are the commissioners. Besides making the laws these commissioners select their manager, who should be a good executive, trained in municipal administration. There are other necessary qualifications besides these two—not the least of which is a keen sense of humor— but a well selected commission is sure to insist upon all of these necessary qualifications.

The administrative branch of the government is divided into three or five departments, depending upon the size of the community. In the larger cities there is the department of service, or public works; safety or police, fire, buildings and weights and measures; finance, having the auditor's and treasurer's functions; law and health and welfare departments, having to do with health, recreation, sanitary and social service. In the smaller cities the government is so organized as to divide all these activities logically into three departments instead of five. As the commission is careful to select a well trained and thoroughly qualified man as city manager, the manager, in order to have a successful administration, satisfactory to his commission, must carefully select men trained in the various fields or particularly qualified for the various functions or activities in the administrative departments of the government. Such services can be secured by an executive who has the power of appointment where it is almost impossible to select the same kind of service through the ballot. It naturally follows that men having such qualifications generally hold good positions and they are not the men who are generally found to be running for office. Moreover, it is seldom that such men are such "good fellows" or good politicians, if you please, as to be able to be elected. The business man, the accountant, the engineer ordinarily is not a "glad-hander" and therefore a poor candidate.

The department heads, three or five, selected by the manager, in turn select by appointment the heads of the various divisions in their departments, all of whom are responsible to the manager, who in turn is responsible to the commission. The success of the commission depends largely upon a proper administration of the city's affairs, the success of the manager depends entirely upon the type of man he selects as his subordinates.

Under this plan, the commission-manager government, there is bound to be a complete harmony and co-operation between all departments and divisions of the government and a co-ordination of all the activities of these various departments. It is absolutely impossible for one department to work against another, to get favors at the expense of another or to fail to co-operate with all departments, as all are under control of a single executive or chief administrative officer. This eliminates one of the most serious objections to the old plan, a "paying for place" and "working for the edge" between departments, at the sacrifice of others. The election of the commission at large eliminates the log rolling cities have experienced under ward or district elected councilmen. Under the commission-manager plan, both the commission and the manager, as well as the department heads treat the city as a unit and do not look upon it from the viewpoint of one ward or district as compared to another. All plans for the betterment of conditions must be city-wide plans. All functions must be taken care of from the standpoint of the city at large. All policies must be treated on the basis of the city as a single unit

What has been accomplished in commission-manager cities is the best potent factor we have upon which to judge the practicability of this more centralized form These accomplishments form the basis for the argument that centralized responsibility and authority insure results that the commission-manager charter furnishes the best tools with which to work. These accomplishments are responsible for the rapid spread of the movement for commission-manager government throughout the country and the growth of this plan during the past several years.

Dayton, Ohio, the largest city yet to adopt commission-manager government, has gained nation-wide publicity as the result of the vast accomplishments in that city during the past three years. Instead of continuing the policy of piling up current debt which had been Dayton's experiences for the past four or five years, before the new order of things, under commissioner-manager government the Ohio city not only paid off, the first year of its operation, seventy-five thousand dollars of the current or floating debt, but gave approximately one hundred thousand dollars in increased service; all without increasing taxes or municipal revenues. This was accomplished as similar results on a smaller scale have been accomplished in other city manager cities by eliminating waste, by centralized purchasing on a competitive basis, by giving one hundred worth of cents service for each tax dollar. There is no longer a floating debt in Dayton, and, in addition to the city's living within its income and meeting the bonds as they become due, the sinking fund has been increased from $125,000 to $150,000.

All Ohio cities are in bad financial straights at this present time, due to state tax limitation laws, except Dayton, Springfield and Sandusky, three commission-manager governed cities and these three are the only cities living within their income at the present time. Dayton has increased its fire protection facilities and systematic fire inspections were inaugurated and fire loss has been decreased fifty per cent. Municipal recreation is provided in a number of city parks and playgrounds. Municipal band concerts are given in these parks. City baseball leagues have been organized and are now planning to build a large stadium. A municipal music league now brings to the city every two or three weeks of the winter the highest grade of musical talent of the country in concerts, including the best symphony orchestras and the leading metropolitan and other grand opera singers. Tickets for the season of seven or eight concerts sell for three dollars and the auditorium—seating more than three thousand—is packed to capacity at every concert. The price is the same throughout the house and seats are assigned by drawing at each concert—a thoroughly democratic plan. Clerks and shop girls in large numbers are subscribers to these tickets and buy them on a club basis. Such are developing continually a desire for better music. At the outset the professional promoter was very much opposed to this idea, believing that the municipal concerts would kill his business. The facts are that patronage at concerts promoted by these professionals has increased several fold due to the increased demand for high grade music from the best talent of the country. All of the nursing organizations—there are five such organizations—are now combined in the welfare department. Duplication of money and effort has in this way been eliminated and a greater amount of work is being accomplished at less cost. That the people of Dayton believe in their government is best manifested by the results of a bond election recently when the electors by a very large majority authorized bonds in the amount of one million dollars for city-wide improvement. And all of this opening within a short time after Dayton suffered such serious financial loss due to the flood of 1913.

Dayton placed all city labor on 8-hour basis instead of the ten-houh hour basis instead of the ten-hour pay for the eight-hour day.

Instead of suffering a water famine every summer, Dayton now furnishes, through its municipal plant, a supply much greater than the demand. This accomplishment within two years of commission-manager government, where under the old plan Dayton labored for eight years trying to find a solution to their problem. And for the first time their municipal waterworks is on a self sustaining basis. A municipal garbage plant, another problem which worried Dayton for a number of years, has been erected and not only meets operating expenses, but shows a surplus of about twenty thousand dollars a year.

Jackson, Michigan, has increased materially its sinking fund; has paid off old debts; reorganized police and fire departments; instituted a thorough accounting control is operating within its income and justified in many ways its existence. Annual reports of the Jackson commission are most interesting.

Niagara Falls has completed a number of important public improvements in streets, sewers, waterworks and other departments. Bureau of health has been centralized, inspection of food products inaugurated, motorization of the fire department accomplished; reduced the tax rate 97 cents per thousand upon the old valuation, and, most important for Niagara Falls, have secured for the first time in many years, law enforcement.

Grinnell, Iowa, has just finished four hundred thousand feet of sewers, fifteen miles of well paved streets, a complete sanitary sewer system.

Winetka, Illinois, has placed the municipal electric plant on a self sustaining basis and out of surplus earnings has built a hundred thousand dollar city hall.

Beaufort, S. C., has eliminated warring factions among the citizenship; reduced interest rate on debt from seven to five per cent; started a sinking fund; saved two thousand dollars in reorganization of police and fire departments; saves four hundred tons of coal per year in the water pumping station; reduced ordinary expenses 15 per cent

Sandusky, Ohio, in addition to living within its income, reduced the interest on debt from 6 to 5 per cent and is reducing its floating debt thirty-three thousand dollars Elimination of grade crossings; shows material saving in the operation of the waterworks department, reducing pumpage approximately 10 per cent by eliminating leaks.

La Grande, Oregon, now has money in the treasury to meet all the warrants, where before city warrants went to protest and had to be held for months by manufacturers and supply houses, and even city employees for salaries.

In St. Augustine, Florida, we have saved and stopped operating the government by deficit; our expenditures are kept within the income; our current or floating debt, which we inherited in 1915, when city-manager government became operative, was reduced the first year 33 1-3 per cent and the balance will be reduced 50 per cent this year and wiped out entirely in February 1918. Tax values have been equalized and the valuations changed from the old basis varying from 18 to 70 per cent, to full cash basis, with all properties on 100 per cent basis; the tax roll was increased from two million to a little more than nine million The tax levy has been decreased from 30 mills to seven mills. We have adopted a scientific budget and installed one of the most modern accounting systems devised for controlling municipal finances. The appropriation of each dollar is by department, division and function. In this way we have pre-arranged annual program. Water survey has been completed for providing for the extension of the distribution system and a supply of softer water, to give better fire protection and to get rid of the present very hard water. A test well has been driven, giving us water half as hard as the present supply. This year we hope to carry bonds to carry through the entire improvement. The water force main from the pumping station to the center of the city was cleaned, increasing the flow from 900 gallons to 1778 gallons per minute with the same number of pounds pressure at the pumps. The fuel cost has been reduced 26.9 per cent. Storm water sewers have been cleaned and where water stood upon the streets from ten to thirty hours heretofore the streets are now cleared in from five to fifteen minutes. We operated last year at a saving of approximately $25,000 to the city. Engineering data has been secured of all existing conditions, where before there were no records whatever. The saving in purchase the past year has amounted to about $11,000, including $6,800 on the restoration of old valves in place of buying new ones which had been recommended and authorized by the previous administration. We have decreased the interest rate on the current debt from 8 per cent to 4. Cost records are kept showing detailed costs of every activity, giving us comparisons from one period to another. Fire and police reporting and recording system has been installed; band concerts are provided weekly and municipal street dances monthly.

Visiting nurse and social services have been provided. In place of pauperizing unfortunates who find themselves without means of livelihood by giving them regularly so many dollars per month, we now find jobs for these people, encourage them to support themselves and temporarily furnish groceries, fuel and medical service; in place of paying them $4.00 monthly as heretofore allowed, we are supplying these unfortunates with $5.40 worth of provisions at an increased cost to the city of only 32 cents. A sinking fund is now established; marshal and survey has been completed which will reclaim for the city a large amount of valuable land. The city planning board has been awarded a contract for preparation of a city plan to control the future development of the city. This plan when completed will be submitted to the electors for ratification and if ratified will bind the city to a definite policy for years to come We have just awarded a new contract for street lighting on a five-year basis. This contract showing a saving of almost 20 per cent—in other words we will be able to light the city and light it better—for six years at the cost of five years under the old contract. We are designing a city-wide sanitary sewer system and will commence this work next year, after the waterworks improvements are completed. Fire inspections have been started and are showing material results in the elimination of fire hazards and the reduction of fire hazards We immediately provided the eight-hour day for all city labor and have just increased wages 16 per cent, that the wage earner may meet the increased cost of living.

These accomplishments are responsible for changing materially the sentiment in St. Augustine in favor of progressive government. Our charter was adopted in June 1915 by a bare majority of 18 votes. In November 1916 the electorate voted to sustain the present plan by a majority of more than two and one-half to one, in the election of a charter board pledged to the continuation of a commission manager government, and the present city commissioners led the ticket. Such changes are being drafted by this board, at the present time, to eliminate some of the faults and further improve our present charter and this will be submitted to the electors within the next several months for their adoption. In the main there are no fundamental changes to be made.

I could go on enumerating similar accomplishments in many other commission manager governed cities, but I do not desire to take up more of your time as I think it better to close and give any additional time over to you that you may ask any questions you may desire, which I shall endeavor to answer.

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J. Y. Detwiler returned Sunday from a visit in Daytona.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Hofrieter were visitors in Daytona Monday.

Mrs. C. O. Williams spent Tuesday in St. Augustine visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bridier were visitors in Daytona Saturday.

Briggs Branning was down from St. Augustine for the week end.

C. J. Norman spent Monday and Tuesday in Palatka on business.

Miss Margaret Taylor of Gainesville is a guest at the home of D. P. Smith.

*I will sell my business, stock and fixtures, reasonable for cash. JOHN DEMOS.

Miss Fearn Hibbard was home from DeLand for the week end, returning Sunday.

Mrs. F. N. Holley went to Jacksonville Friday for the week end and returned home Sunday.

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Mrs. J. R. Mathews went to Sebastian Monday to spend the week visiting her parents.

Mrs. E. M. Little and children returned Sunday from a visit with relatives and friends in St. Augustine.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bennett went to St. Augustine Tuesday and will remain for a week as the guests of relatives.

Miss Nora Ward went to St. Augustine Wednesday and will remain there for a week with relatives and friends.

**Valuable piece of property for sale. See J. R. BERRY.

*Every Saturday is pay day for weekly subscribers of the Times-Union. Come to Lee Scalf's barber shop and pay up.

Miss Orpha Berkley, of St. Augustine, who was the guest of friends here last week returned to her home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs C. M. Daly and baby returned this week from Sumter, S. C., where they have been visiting relatives for a time.

*Dr. Farr, specialist. Phone 107.

A mask ball was given in the Coronado clubhouse Wednesday night, which was attended by a large number of masked dancers.

Mrs. John Coleman and little daughter, Pauline, returned Monday after a four weeks' visit with relatives in Savannah, Ga.

Mrs. S. Waldrep and daughter and son returned Tuesday from Jacksonville, where they have been visiting relatives for several days.

Mrs. W. O. Brown returned Saturday from Jacksonville, where she has been visiting at the home of her daugter, Mrs. L. Copeland.

The Boy Scouts are planning to hike to the old sugar mill near Port Orange tomorrow. They will start from this city at 9 o'clock in the morning.

The pupils of the eighth grade of the public school are busy getting the ground in readiness to plant a spring garden, as soon as the seed arrives.

Miss Harriette Crane came over from DeLand, where she is attending Stetson university, Friday, and will remain at home for a couple of weeks.

Mrs. Mary McConnell, state president of the Rebekah assembly, returned to her home in Tampa Saturday, after a visit here with Mrs. T. H. Moore.

C. R. Welby, of Atlanta, and J. P. Cochran, of West Palm Beach, representatives of the Gulf Refining company, were in the city Monday, and guests at the Rio Vista hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris and daughter Miss Winnie Kirby, who have been visiting for two months at the home of S. Ross, left this week for Smith's Grove, Ky.

Henry Carter, aged 65, one of the best known among the colored residents of New Smyrna, died last week and the body was buried in the Larkin cemetery.

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The meeting of the Junior Civics will be held Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Woman's club room and a good attendance of the members is desired.

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Mrs. C. G. Herrick and Mrs. M. W. Ashton drove to Daytona Monday afternoon and listened to the orchestra concert.

A. A. Buck, general manager for the Brevard County Telephone company, was in the city from his home at Indianola on business Saturday.

John B. Culpepper, Jr., came up Saturday from New Smyrna to assist his father in the big revival services being conducted in New Augustine.—St. Augustine Record.

Judge and Mrs. Doggett, Miss Carita Daggett and Miss Hodson, formed a motor party from Jacksonville, which spent two days this week at the Ocean House.

*Lee Scalf's barber shop is doing the leading business. He has added a first class white barber. Everything clean. Well, that's where I will have my work done from now on.

A motor party composed of Mrs. W. E. Goldsmith, Mrs. J. R. Walker, Mrs. Swain and Miss Jeanie Morgan came up from Titusville Sunday for a visit with Mrs. Mattie King.

Harry B. Field, who, with Mrs. Field has been a guest for several weeks at the Rio Vista hotel, left yesterday on the return trip to his home in Chicago. Mrs. Field will remain here for a stay of several weeks longer.

Louis Wehrhein and daughter, Miss Anna, of Sparta, Ill., who are spending their third winter in New Smyrna, attended the fair at Orlando last week and report good exhibits in all departments and a large attendance

The regular meeting of the Ladies Aid society of the Methodist church, South, was held Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. R. O. Vaughn. There was a good attendance. Refreshments of grape juice and cake were served

Next Sunday evening Miss Tobitha Remington will lead the Christian Endeavor at the Congregational church. The theme will be "Service." All young people are invited to this meeting.

William Warnock arrived Monday from his home in Jamaci, Long island New York, and went on down to Eldora, where he will take an inventory of the property left by his father, who died suddenly recently.

P. N. Cornwell, of Columbus, Ohio, was in the city yesterday, stopping over here for a visit with his friend, J. S Duss. Mr. Cornwell is on his way down to Auburndale to look after an orange grove he owns at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Noble and daughter, Miss Caroline, who have been here the greater part of the season at Mrs. C. E. Pitzer's, will leave this morning on their return to their northern home in Southington, Conn

Mrs. S. M Veronee returned Wednesday from St. Augustine, where she had been with Mr. Veronee, who is recovering from the effects of an operation in the hospital. Mr Veronee is improving rapidly now.

Rev. Robt. A. George begins next Sunday night a new series of lectures on "The Life of the Man Jesus." These lectures will be illustrated with beautiful stereoptican pictures. Children and young people are especially invited to attend these lectures.

Hon. J. K. Flood, of Hart, Mich., and Miss Etta Russell, of Detroit, who have been visiting Judge and Mrs. F. J. Russell here for a few days, left Monday on their return trip to their homes in the north. They were accompanied as far as Daytona by Judge and Mrs. Russell.

W. H. Schreck, of New Smyrna, has purchased the interest of Billie Young in the Ocean fish market at the Oyama arcade. Mr. Schreck has been interested in the wholesale fish market for seven years and has supplied various local firms with fish. He anticipates a good patronage and will add new and sanitary equipment.—Daytona Journal.

*Dr. B. H. Farr, New Smyrna's successful osteopath physician, attributes his wonderful results, both in acute and chronic diseases that have run the gamut of medical and surgical specialists and sanitariums, to the fact of his training in, not one, but in the three most popular branches of the healing art in this country, namely: Osteopathy, Medicine, and Chiropractic. Thus he is able to diagnose and treat both predisposing and exciting causes of disease as can no physician with only one method of diagnosis at his command. This is Dr. Farr's third winter in New Smyrna.

*Let Herrick fix it.

Mr. and Mrs. H. U. Bonnet and Mrs. J. Y. Detwiler drove down to Stuart Saturday, taking Mrs. T. Heck and Mrs. L. Fallis of Toledo, O., who have been visiting here, that far on a trip down the coast. Mr. and Mrs. Bonnet arrived home Sunday night and Mrs. Detwiler returned home Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Swinford entertained a number of friends at an oyster roast last Friday, after which the time was pleasantly passed in playing euchre. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. A. Piper, Mr. and Mrs. C. Swinford, Mr. and Mrs. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Battels, Mrs. Obenchain and daughter, Miss Edith.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Pechin of St. Paul, Minn., and Mrs. C. H. Hemming and son Kent, of Rockford, Ill., arrived Monday and are guests at the home of G. H. Crane. Mrs. Pechin and Mrs. Hemming are sisters of Mrs. Crane. Mr. Pechin is general manager of the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha railroad and the party made the trip here in his private car.

Silver Tea at Woman's Club

A silver tea will be given Saturday afternoon, March 9th, at the Woman's club, when Mesdames Van Duesen and Bouchelle will entertain. A good program is being arranged for the occasion.

Woman's Club Card Party

There will be a card party given by the house committee of the Woman's club, in the club room this (Friday) evening, beginning at 8 o'clock. Five hundred and auction will be played and a cordial invitation is extended to the men and women.

Seminole Sun Dance

Special rates are being offered by the Florida East Coast Railroad for the Seminole Sun Dance to be held at West Palm Beach March 3, 4, 5 and 6, limited to return up to midnight of March 12. The round trip rate is $5.50 from New Smyrna.

Bazaar and Supper Success

The annual bazaar and supper given by the Ladies Aid of the Congregational church Tuesday afternoon and evening was a decided success from every point of view and a neat sum of money was realized by the ladies from the supper and the sale of fancy articles of food. The proceeds from the bazaar amounted to $125.

U. D. C. Meeting

The United Daughters of the Confederacy met Friday at the home of Mrs. J. C. McCullough, and a good meeting was enjoyed by the members Two new applications for membership were received at this time. Refreshments of ambrosia and cake were served. The next meeting will be with Mrs. B. H. Wilson.

Trinity Quarterly Meeting

The first quarterly meeting of the conference year will be held next Sunday. Dr. Luther D. Rader, of Miami, will conduct the 11 o'clock service and preach. The pastor will preach in the evening. Dr Rader will also conduct a service at Coronado at 3 o'clock. A cordial invitation to all members and friends to attend these services.

LEWIS D. MOORE, Pastor.

Dollar Social

The ladies of the Trinity M. E. church held a "dollar social" Tuesday night at the church. There was a splendid crowd gathered and all enjoyed the evening. Verses and rhymes were read, telling how each one earned her money and these were amusing and entertaining. Fruit punch and cake were served and $25 added to the treasury. Miss Edith Newell entertained with piano solos, and Miss Warnheim delighted the audience with several readings.

WASHINGTON BIRTHDAY BALL ENJOYED BY MANY

Thoroughly enjoying the hospitality of the new Rio Vista hotel, several hundred guests and home people participated in the Washington birthday ball last Thursday night. The spacious lobby was cleared for the dancing, which furnished amusement for the gaily dressed women and well groomed men until midnight. The Washington birthday ball was enjoyed by about as large a number as the opening ball the week previous and was one of the most enjoyable spcial affairs ever given in New Smyrna.

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The statement issued by Sidney Maddox, of the Palm Beach hotel, at Palm Beach, that he proposed to erect a 400-room hotel on his property at Palm Beach, adjoining his present hotel and have the building ready for occupancy by next fall, was followed a few days later by the announcement of Carl Enoch Carlson, a Boston capitalist, that he had purchased lot No. 1 of the tract between the Ryman place and Orange Grove park, and he would erect a six-story hotel, to be known as the Ritz-Carlson, and that it would open when the 1918 season started.

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Lenten Services

There will be Litany and a short Lenton reading in the Grace Episcopal church this (Friday) afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

The editor of the Herald suffered for the best part of two years with chills and fever, contracted by exposure in the lake region of the central part of the peninsula of Florida. He tried every known and recognized remedy until a gentlemen in Savannah, Ga., gave him a specific for which the gentleman said he payed $20.00. The writer tried it and was cured. Here it is: 25 grains of quinine, 2 drams of aromatic sulphuric acid, 2 ounces of rain or distilled water. Dose: one teaspoonful three times a day—one just before each of the three meals—protect the teeth, as the sulphuric acid (elixir of vitrol) will ruin them. This is a certain cure for malarial fever. In some cases hydromic acid may be substituted for sulphuric, but sulphuric is the best.—Punta Gorda Herald.

WEATHER REPORT

for the week ending Feb. 26, as reported by Frank J. Nordman, co-operative observer:

Date	High	Low	Rainfall
19	86	60	.00
20	79	64	.00
22	81	61	.00
23	79	53	.00
24	85	55	.00
25	83	55	.00
26	85	57	.00

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CORONADO

Mr. and Mrs. Allen, of Toledo, Ohio, and W. Allen of Muncie, Indiana, are stopping at the Corny house.

Mrs. J. Y. Detwiler returned from Stuart Tuesday where she had been visiting friends for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hathaway came down from Daytona Beach to spend the week end at the Compton home.

Robert Bartenstein, of South Hampton, N. Y., came Monday to be with his father, who has been ill at the Corny house.

Mrs Wilbur Myers and son Richard, of Springfield, Ohio, are spending a few days with Mrs. Peck, Mrs. Myers' mother They are all registered at the Barber house

Harry Hinkson of Elyria, Ohio, who is spending the winter at Coronado, had quite a tussle with, but succeeded in landing a 150 pound stingeree, Thursday afternoon at Coronado Beach. It was the largest one caught around here this season, measuring three feet and three inches across and eight feet and ten inches long. Quite a crowd congregated to see the big fish, auto loads coming over from New Smyrna, and several pictures were taken of it.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a bill will be presented to the Legislature of the State of Florida at its next regular session in accordance with laws made and provided to designate, locate and perpetuate, as New Smyrna Beach that territory, "Situated on the Sea Shore, south of the Bar of Mosquito, at a place formerly cultivated by Dr. Turnbull," on the peninsula opposite New Smyrna, Fla., and embraced in sections 4, 5, 9, 33 and 16, in town ship 17, S. R. 34 E., Meridian of Florida (mar2-apr27)

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WARRANTY DEEDS

Ed F. Waterman and Ida A. Waterman to Magdalena Otahorski and Stephen Otahorski, the N½ of lot 7, sec 3, twp 18, S. R. 31 E.

A. C. Myers and Laura M. Myers to Robert M. Payton, the SE¼ of the N E¼ of the NE¼ of sec 15, twp 17, S R 30 E.

A. D. Abbott to Aurice W. Perkins, lot 11, block 4, Watts second add to DeLand.

Alias A. Bryant and Abbie H. Bryant to Nellie Fuller, the E 206 feet of the N½ of lot 3, and the E 206 feet of the S½ of lot 4, block 17, Daytona.

W. W. Marshall and Della N. Marshall to Ada A. Slisby, lot 12, block 2, W. W. Marshall's sub of his property, Daytona Beach

Charles A. Kenney and Neal L. Kenney to Mrs. Nettie A. Coburn, the N 50 feet of lot 1, block 18, Horns sub of block 19, Memento; also block 18, Seabreeze.

William O. Richardson to Florence Byrd, beginning at the center of public road, 3.44 chains E of the NW corner of the SE¼ of the SE¼; thence S 15 chains; thence E 8 chains; thence N on center of road, westerly to starting point, being in the SE¼ of the SE¼, sec 2, twp 15, S R 28 East.

F. J. Harpster and Alice Harpster to Mrs. Louisa Bailey, lot 5, block 24, (no town indicated in deed).

Joseph B. Smith and Lottie Smith to Henry Williams, the N 336 feet of lot 4, sub of the W½ of the SE¼ of sec 5, twp 19, S R 31 E.

Albert Dickinson and Emma L. Dickinson to Belle Parker Scott, lot 3, block 22, Orange City.

Lois F Merriman and C. H. Merriman to Peter Pierson, the S½ of the E½ of the SE¼ of the NE¼ of sec 34, twp 14, R 28 E.

J. W. Moore and Elizabeth Moore to Cordelia Moore, the S½ of the SE ¼, sec 22, twp 17, S R 30 E.

John E Townsand and Mayme Townsand to the Elks club of Daytona, a portion of lots 1, 2, block 8, Daytona.

J. L. Banks and Missouri Banks to Leroy C. Chisholm, lots 52, 53, 54, 61, Roper's sub of the SE¼ of the NW¼ of sec 19, twp 17, S R 34 E.

George H. Ludwig and J. W. Wilkinson to Arthur Glenn, lots 8, 9, Ludwig and Wilkinson's sub of lots 1, 2, 3, block 61, Daytona.

John Anderson to Elizabeth Cusick, lot 23, block 1, sub called "La Vega," Ormond.

Jacob W. Wilbur and Addie V. Wilbur to Edwin M. Fraftam, lots 310 and 311, plat 2, of Wilbur-by-the-Sea.

Joe A. Dean and Sarah M. Dean to S. Bob Dean, an undivided ½ interest in and to the W½ of lot 10, sub of the S½ of the N½ of lot 4, block 31, Daytona.

Bunnell Development Co. to Fred Hayes, tract 2, block A, sec 4, twp 13 S, R 30 E.

William T. Halliday, Raymond H. Parker and Olga V. Parker to William H. Eller, lot 7, block 30, R. H. Parker's sub of Delespine Grant, twp 19, R 34 E.

Olliver J. Miller and Jessie Miller to Anna S. Howard, lot 18, block 9, Bush and Stewart's sub of all that portion of lot 1, sec 4, twp 15, S R 33 East.

Harvey L. Wright and Mary M. Wright to L. N. Muren, the E½ of the SE¼ of the SW¼ sec 10, twp 19 S, R 32 E.

Duncan James Stewart and Adeline A. Stewart to William B. Wheeler, lot 1, with the buildings thereon, plat 1 of Wilbur-by-the-Sea.

Conrad Oates to the Trustees of the African Methodist Episcopal church of Port Orange, lot 18, sub of lot 1, sec 4, twp 16 S, R 33 E.

Anna K. Erregger to Priscilla C. Brown, lot 17, byock 36, East Daytona.

Volusia Development Co. to James P. McMillan, part of tract 11, part of Volusia Development Co.'s sub in sec 26, twp 13, S R 31 E.

Indian Springs Land Co. to John Brija, tract 11, block 1, sec 4, twp 18, S R 32 E.

Florida Land and Settlement Co. to Martin C. Swinney, tract 5, block 4, NW¼ of the SE¼, sec 12, twp 19, S R 32 E.

Jennie M. Marot and Bessie Marot Davis and Joseph Davis to H. C. Longstreet, beginning at a point which is 267 feet W from the middle of a shell road, so called Peninsular ave, on the S line of the N 100 feet of the S 200 feet of lot 6, in block 1, George J. Alden's sub of the Walker Grant; run thence northerly and parallel with the shell road, so called Peninsular ave, 42.5 feet; thence W to the Hillsboro river; thence southerly along river to the S line of the N 100 feet of the S 200 feet of lot 6, block 1; thence E along said S line of the N 100 feet of the S 200 feet of lot 6, block 1, to the place of beginning.

Stanley Charles William Wynn Mackenzie, A. C. G. Wynn Mackenzie Cochran and George Cochran, C. Gladys Thomas and A. Newberry Thomas and Kenneth Wynn Mackenzie, to I. I. Moody and J. F. Lambert, and George Moody, the John Bunch Grant, in sec 39, twp 13, S R 31 and 32 E.

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William DewHurst and Fannie B. DewHurst to I. I. Moody, George Moody and J. F. Lambert, the John Bunch grant, sec 39, twp 13, S ranges 31 and 32 E.

Samuel Flowers to Mrs. Nancy Brown Weeks, beginning at the NW corner of the NW¼, of the SW¼ of sec 21, twp 13 S, R 28 E; thence S 33 feet; thence E 662 feet; thence N 33 feet; thence W 662 feet to the place of beginning.

Gertrude Bading to Lucy Esteppe, the W½ of the E½ of the NW¼ of the NE¼, sec 11, twp 13 S, R 29 E.

Wesley R. Phillips to William R. Yelvington, the S 54 feet of lot 11, block 1, Wilder's sub of the Bethune Grant, sec 40, twp 15, S R 33 E.

W. M. Clifton and Annie Clifton to Bond Lumber Co., the E½ of the NW ¼, sec 28, twp 15, S R 33 E.

Charles M. Wilder and Alexina W. Wilder, Stephen H. Wilder and Edith C. Wilder and Parker H. Wilder to William Yelvington, the S 54.5 feet of lot 11, block 2, and the S 54.5 feet of lot 11, block 2, the N 49 feet of lot 12, block 1 and the N 49 feet of lot 12 block 2, Wilder's sub of the Bethune Grant, sec 40, twp 15, S R 33 East.

Theckla A. Pellett and Major M. Pellett to William Yelvington, the S 54.5 feet of lot 11, block 1, and the S 54.5 feet of lot 11, block 2, Wilder's sub of the Bethune Grant, sec 40, twp 15, S R 33 E.

Amelia L. Dailey to Enfa Day, the W½ of the SW¼ of the NE¼ of the SE¼, sec 9, twp 17, S R 30 E.

T. E. Savage and Sarah J. Savage to John H. Carrow, T. M. Bangs and Sarah A. Bangs, as trustees of the public hall at Port Orange to the town of Port Orange, the E 125 feet of lot 4, block M, Port Orange.

Joan H. C. Hawks to the town of Port Orange, the E 125 feet of lot 4, block M, Port Orange.

George W. McDaniels and Belle R. McDaniels to the town of Port Orange the E 125 feet of lot 4, block M, Port Orange.

Mary E. Colloty to DeLand Realty Co. lot "E" and the S½ of lot "D," block H, Rich's add to DeLand.

U. S. Patent, Homestead Certificate No. 1858.

United States of America to George Amos, the SE¼ of the SE¼ of sec 20, the SW¼ of the SW¼ of sec 21, the NE¼ of the NE¼ of sec 29, and the NW¼ of the NW¼ of sec 28, twp 17 S, R 30 E.

Amy A. Mathers and W. T. Mathers t othe Florida Land and Settlement Co., certain tracts and pieces of land lying in Volusia county, making in all a total of 53690 acres, more or less.

SPECIAL MASTERS DEED

I. R. P. Daniels Jr., as special master in chancery, to the Florida Land and Settlement Co., certain tracts and pieces of land, lying and being in Volusia County, making in all a total of 53,690 acres, more or less.

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African Giants.

There are many giants in Africa nine feet high. Some of them weigh 300 pounds and are strong enough to kill a panther at one blow. Perhaps you think such big fellows must be clumsy but they are not. They can run faster than any horse, springing twelve to fourteen feet at a leap. This all sounds like a fairy story, but not so when you hear that these African giants are—ostriches.

Save the Cranes and Rail Birds.

Two North American birds that are in great immediate need of protection are the white crane and his distant cousin, the Carolina rail, or sora. The former, once a denizen of the western prairies, is almost extinct, and the saddhill crane also seems in danger. The Caroline rail is in great demand as a table delicacy.—Exchange.

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"We have one of the hardest working typewriters in the world."

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"Sometimes she pounds her machine for fully half an hour at a stretch without stopping to adjust her back hair."—Brooklyn Citizen.

Coffee and Pianos.

There is a close relation between the coffee industry and the piano business in Guatemala. Whenever there is a good year for coffee in the republic there is a better demand for pianos.

No man can do nothing, and no man can do everything.—German.

LEGAL NOTICES

SPECIAL ELECTION NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a resolution adopted by the City of New Smyrna, Florida, on the 6th day of February, A. D., 1917, the special election will be held in said city for the purpose of affording registered, qualified electors of said city who own and pay taxes on real and personal property in said city the opportunity of voting upon and deciding the question as to whether or not bonds of said city shall be issued for the following purpose:

$10,000 bonds for the erection, extension and completion of a waterworks system.

Electors, in order to be qualified to vote at said special election, shall have been registered and shall own real and personal property in said city, and pay taxes thereon.

That said special election shall be held on the 3rd day of April, A. D., 1917, between the hours of 8 A. M. and sundown P. M. at the following polling places in said city, to-wit:

The Council Chambers at the City Hall of said City.

Said bonds shall bear interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, shall be in denominations of $1000 each and be payable in gold coin of the United States of America of the present standard of weight and fineness, payable semi-annually on the 1st day of May and November at the banking house of the National Bank of Commerce of the City and State of New York, or at such other place as Council shall prescribe.

Bonds to mature in ten and fifteen years respectively, as provided in the resolution adopted calling said election, and shall be in such form and contain such recitals, and shall be executed in such manner as the City Council may prescribe.

BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL, the 6th day of February, A. D., 1917.

H. E. ZIPPERER,
Mayor of the City of New Smyrna.
Attest: C. L. DOHN,
City Clerk, City of New Smyrna.
(feb9-mar9)

Notice of Application for Tax Deed Under Section 8 of Chapter 4686, Laws of Florida.

Notice is hereby given that C. J. Norman, purchaser of Tax Certificate No. 816, daied the 1st day of June, A. D. 1914, has filed said certificate in my office, and has made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property situated in Volusia County, Florida, to-wit: Lots 2 and 4 ,E of Road, Sub of Lot 5 and NW¼ of SW¼, Sec. 19, Twp. 17 S., Range 34 E.

The said land being assessed at the date of the issuance of such certificate in the name of Bradley Fertilizer Co. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, tax deed will issue thereon on the 27th day of March, A. D. 1917.

Witness my official signature and seal this the 23rd day of February, A. D. 1917. SAM'L D. JORDAN, Clerk Circuit Court Volusia County Florida. By CLIFFORD BOTTS, (SEAL) Deputy Clerk.
(feb23-mar23)

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I wish you could see my home—it is so clean and bright and cheery and wholesome—the finest, whitest, healthiest tobacco factory in all the world.

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MOSQUITOES

STATE BOARD OF HEALTH BULLETIN

In time of peace prepare for war! Winter in Florida is the peace time with the mosquito, but he, or rather she, declares war, active, agressive war, within a few minutes after the latest chilly spell in the spring and never hoists the white flag until about the time our winter visitors begin to crowd our hospitable hotel piazzas.

There is no use denying the fact that Florida is rich in her mosquito fauna, and they are about as voracious as their relatives in Chicago park on a summer evening or in that famous resort known as the Jersey Flats. But we, in Florida, don't have to suffer from their attentions if we really don't want to. Honestly, we don't ask or want the sympathy or the pity of our northern friends who might think we are entitled to either.

By carefully screening our homes, our sleeping porches, our bedrooms and our beds, we manage to keep the mosquito at a distance—on the outside looking in and buzzing her disappointment. The mosquito that distributes the germ of maleria doesn't begin work until just before sunset, and remembering this, we protect ourselves accordingly. Very few of these summer insects are active at midday or under the summer sun, so we don't need to take any extraordinary precautions during daylight hours.

And we are finding out new facts about her ladyship, the mosquito (the man mosquito is a very necessary link in the chain, but he doesn't bite nor carry disease germs) and we are beginning to appreciate her importance in relation to health matters. She has risen from the rank of a mere nuisance calculated to inculcate patience and cultivate profanity, to be respected as a first class power that never sues for peace. We have much still to learn, but we know enough to make a successful battle against her.

It is not enough to screen our houses and ourselves against her. We must fight her in her breeding places. With an incubation of ten days from one generation to the next fully developed and ready to tackle her mission in life, one healthy mosquito in April may become several billions by September. The same healthy lady can deposit enough eggs in a teaspoonful of water to actively populate a radius of 500 feet in two weeks, and the breeze may carry the progeny a mile with the wind.

A Jacksonville physician, Dr. M. B. Herlong, has recently advanced in the daily press a splendid suggestion to lessen the mosquito crop this year, and his idea should be given the widest publicity. He urged housekeepers to have the eave troughs of their homes cleaned of all accumulated refuse that could hold stagnating water, and to have the uneven places straightened so that water might flow away naturally and not remain standing in the hollow places, to afford the mosquito a breeding spot, and he insists that now is a good time to do it. The house should be looked over for such defects every year (several times a year, in fact) and spring is a perfectly good time to have it done.

But why stop with gutters under the roof? See that there is no place or chance for standing water anywhere on the premises. The mosquito will find it quicker than you will anyway, *but that's no reason why you* shouldn't make every effort to break up her nursery, and if some time during the season you should suffer from an epidemic of these insects, it's a fairly good reason to suspect that she has beaten you to it after all.

The doctors and health officers in Florida, or in any other state for that matter, can't undertake to keep all your surroundings disease proof, fool proof and sanitary. They can try it if they have the hearty co-operation of all the people. They will tell you all they know about preventing diseases. They will tell you how things ought to be and why, but it's too much to expect them to keep you healthful if you are not willing to do your part, and especially if you think you know more than they and won't do a thing for yourself.

Captain Francis Asbury Hendry, pioneer settler of Lee county and for half a century a leader in business and civic affairs of south Florida, died at his home in Fort Myers in his 85th year. Captain Henry was at one time the largest cattle owner in Florida. He was one of the first to introduce Jersey cattle among his herd and one of the *first to ship cattle to* Cuba.

Woman and the Higher Mathematics.

Salesman—Yes, lady, we sold these shirt waists for $2 each last week, but for this sale we make a reduction of 50 per cent. The price is now only $1.98. Lady—Well, that's good news. I'll take two of them.—Life.

Old Railway Cars.

An eastern railroad burns its discarded wooden cars to recover the iron in them. Before the cars are set on fire, however, they are thoroughly inspected, and all the wood available for further use is removed. The iron saved from the destroyed cars is sold as scrap.

PRACTICAL HEALTH HINT.

Cancer.

As to who are likely to have cancer and what are the signs of its approach a bulletin from the American Society For the Control of Cancer says:

"Cancer patients are often persons who have generally enjoyed good health, have never been seriously ill and who at the time of the onset of the disease were apparently in robust health. This disease is so insidious in *its approach and so often* without pain in the first stages that the patient often fails to pay serious attention to the sign of danger. Statistics independently gathered by many surgeons prove that the average cancer patient waits a year or more after observing some suspicious condition before seeking the *treatment, which is then often* too late. This disastrous delay is the main if not the sole obstacle to the successful treatment of cancer at the present time.

"The only cure for cancer is to remove every trace of the disease. The only sure way to do this is by a surgical operation. If taken at the beginning the majority of cases of cancer are curable. All cases will end in death if left alone. Records of our best hospitals prove that the chances of cure are very high with early operation and that these chances decrease with every day of delay. Early diagnosis is *therefore all important.*"

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Seaboard Air Line Railway Company,
994 Royster Bldg., Norfolk, Virginia.

Jacksonville office, 204 West Bay St., E. D. Mays, Ass't Dev. Agt. in charge. W. H. Harrison, Jr., Ass't Dev. Agt. Dade City office, Dade City Bk Bdg., Tampa office, Hillsboro Hotel Block. S. G. Linderbeck, D. P. A. in charge.

DECISION OF COURT WILL SETTLE LAW

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dian river with Mosquito Lagoon in a northerly direction to the town of Ormond; and further commanding *and requiring said respondent* to hereafter at all times and at all points along said canal and waterway from St. Johns river to Biscayne bay, maintain said canal and waterway according *to the specifications prescribed by* law and in compliance with its patent duty at a width of not less than 50 feet and a depth of not less than 5 feet at mean low water.

And in default thereof, the said respondent, the said Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation company, be required to show cause why it refuses so to do and that thereupon a peremptory writ of mandamus be issued from this report directing and commanding the said respondent to restore and maintain said canal in the manner directed and commanded in said alternative writ of mandamus.

And as in duty bound your relator will ever pray, etc.

MOTION TO QUASH ALTERNATIVE WRIT OF MANDAMUS

Now comes the defendant, Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation company, in the above entitled cause, and moves the court to quash the alternative writ of mandamus issued therein upon the following grounds, to-wit:

1. That the allegations in said alternative writ do not state or constitute a cause of action that authorizes or entitles the relator to the remedy sought and mentioned in said alternative writ, or to the relief prayed in said alternative writ.

2. The facts stated in said alternative writ are not sufficient to authorize or entitle the relator to mandamus against said defendant as mentioned or prayed in said alternative writ.

3. That said alternative writ does not contain sufficient allegations of facts to show that the defendant is under legal duty or obligation to perform the things mentioned in said alternative writ and which it is sought or prayed therein to have the defendant commanded or compelled to do by mandamus.

4. That the alleged duties or obligations of defendant in the premises alleged in said alternative writ, are not such as the court will enforce by mandamus in the premises as prayed, commanded or required in said alternative writ.

5. That the allegations of alterna*tive writ* are too vague, indefinite and uncertain to authorize or entitle relator to mandamus as therein mentioned or prayed, or to require that they be answered by said defendant.

6. That the alleged duties or obli*gations sought or prayed to be en*forced in said alternative writ are too vague, indefinite and uncertain to be enforced by mandamus in the premises.

7. That the said alternative writ does not state a cause of action for mandamus in the premises.

8. That the allegations of said alternative writ do not sufficiently state or show such breach of legal duty or obligation on the part of the defendant, or *such failure to perform legal* duties or obligations on the part of the defendant, as to authorize or require mandamus, or to entitle relator to mandamus as therein mentioned or prayed.

9. That the relief prayed or matter commanded and required in said alternative writ is too broad and cannot be granted on and in the matters alleged in said alternative writ and the law applicable thereto.

10. That it appears upon the face of said alternative writ, and the statutes and exhibits referred to therein and made a part thereof, that said canal company was not and is not under, or legally bound to perform the alleged obligations and duties alleged in said alternative writ, and which it *is sought therein by mandamus to* have the defendant compelled to and perform.

11. Said alternative writ seeks to have defendant required and commanded to restore the said canal and waterway to a width of not less than 50 feet and a depth of not less than 5 feet at mean low water for the entire length of said canal and waterway from St. Johns river on the north to Biscayne bay on the south, and to maintain the same, but it is not alleged or shown in said alternative writ or exhibits that said canal and waterway was not, at and before the time of issuing of said alternative writ, 50 feet wide and 5 feet deep at mean low water, and maintained in proper condition from the St. Johns river to St. Augustine, and it appears affirmatively on the face of said alternative writ and exhibits that the relator had no knowledge or informa*tion that said canal and waterway* from the St. Johns river to St. Augustine was not of said width and depth, and in proper condition, and relator does not inform or state to the court that such was not the fact.

12. *Said alternative writ seeks to* have the defendant required and commanded to restore the said canal and waterway to a width of not less than 50 feet and a depth of not less than 5 feet at mean low water for the en*tire length of said canal* and waterway from the St. Johns river on the north to the Biscayne bay on the south, and so to maintain the same, but it is not alleged or shown in said alternative writ or exhibits that said canal and waterway was not, at and before the time of issuing of said alternative writ, 50 feet wide and 5 feet deep at mean low water, and maintained in proper condition between St. Augustine and a point at and near mile post 41 south from St. Augustine, and it does not appear that the relator had any knowledge or information that said canal and waterway from St. Augustine southward to a point at or near mile post 41 was not of said width and depth and in proper condition, and relator does not inform or state to the court that such was not the fact.

13. That said defendant was under no duty or obligation in law to maintain said canal and waterway of the width of 50 feet and the depth of five feet between the St. Johns river and St. Augustine and it appears in the statutes, mentioned or referred to in said alternative writ, that the requirement thereof to construct and maintain a canal and waterway of said width and depth was limited to the portion thereof between St. Augustine and Biscayne bay.

14. That it appears upon the face of said alternative writ and in the contract between the trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund and said defendant mentioned in said alternative writ and a copy of which is thereto attached, marked exhibit "F" and made a part thereof, that said canal company thereby contracted to cut and construct said portion of said canal betwen St. Augustine and the St. Johns river, according to said specifications, to-wit; not less than 50 feet in width and not less than 5 feet in depth, but said canal company did not contract to keep or maintain said canal, or any portion thereof between St. Augustine and the St. Johns river, of said width and depth.

15. If said canal company had contracted to keep or maintain the portion of said canal between St. Augustine and the St. Johns river, or any portion thereof, of said width and depth, such contract would not have been enforceable by mandamus.

16. That said alternative writ seeks to have the defendant required and commanded to restore the said canal and waterway to a width of not less than 50 feet and a depth of not less than 5 feet at mean low water for the entire length of said canal and waterway from the St. Johns river on the north to Biscayne bay on the south, and to maintain the same, but said defendant has no right, power or authority in law so to do in natural waterways covering or including a large part of said line of alleged canal or waterway between the St. Johns river and Biscayne bay.

17. That said alternative writ seeks to have the defendant required and commanded to restore the said canal and waterway to a width of not less than 50 feet and a depth of not less than 5 feet at mean low water for the entire length of said canal and waterway from the St. Johns river on the north to Biscayne bay on the south and including the waters of the Indian rvier, but said defendant has no right power or authority so to do in the waters of Indian river, and the waters of Indian river are not subject to any digging, dredging in, removing any obstruction therefrom or digging or maintaining any canal therein by defendant as sought to be commanded by said alternative writ, but said waters of Indian river are under the jurisdiction and authority of United States of America and all such matters in said river are controlled, directed and provided for by acts of congress and by the government of the United States acting therein and under the laws of the United States and the state of Florida, and no such mandamus can be granted against de*fendant in the premises as is prayed* or mentioned in the said alternative writ.

18. For other good grounds appearing in said alternative writ.

C. M. COOPER,
CHAS. P. COOPER,
J. J. G. COOPER,
Attorneys for Defendant, Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation Company.

The season for *calling* cards has arrived. Leave your order with the News for engraved or printed calling cards of all kinds.

Gabriel Maursh, a detective, walked seventeen miles to a doctor with his throat cut and wind pipe severed, having been attacked by a fisherman while asleep in Palmetto bushes near Sarasota.

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Sunday afternoon at Boynton, a large touring car from the Poinciana hotel at Palm Beach run down and killed Mary Miller, the 7-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Biller of Converse, Indiana. The child ran out from behind a Ford, which was standing still directly in front of the large moving car.

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Two $1,000,000 additions to Tampa's resources have been assured by R. E. Olds, capitalist, automobile manufacturer and hotel owner, who announces that a corporation is being organized to manufacture farm tractors near that city and also that he will soon begin the erection of a 300-room hotel there.

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8.20p	8.15p	3.30p	1.30p	9.30a	9.00a	lv Jacksville ar	8.00p	7.50p	1.30p	12.30p	8.50a	3.50a
9.40p	9.15p	4.30p	2.35p	10.40a	10.00a	ar St. Aug. lv	7.00p	6.40p	12.20p	11.30a	7.50a	7.20a
10.45p	10.14p	5.31p	3.33p	11.48a	10.58a	ar E. Pal'ka lv	6.00p	5.31p	11.17a	10.24a	6.46a	6.05a
12.48a	11.39p	7.35p	4.58p	1.17p	12.40p	ar Ormond lv	4.10p	3.56p	9.52a	8.45a	5.22a	4.03a
1.00a	11.50p	7.47p	5.15p	1.35p	12.50p	ar Daytona lv	4.00p	2.47p	9.41a	8.32a	5.10a	3.50a
1.45a	12.30a	8.30p	6.00p	2.30p	1.30p	lv N. Smy'a lv	3.30p	3.10p	9.10a	8.00a	4.40a	3.20a
2.57a	1.30a	9.27p	6.47p	3.32p	2.33p	ar Titusville lv	2.18p	1.40p	8.03a	6.50a	3.31a	1.20a
3.40a	2.06a	10.03p	7.19p	4.10p	3.12p	ar Cocoa lv	1.41p	1.02p	7.25a	6.13a	.....	12.36a
3.43a	2.12a	10.06p	7.22p	4.13p	3.15p	ar R'kledge lv	1.38p	12.59p	7.22a	6.10a	2.48a	12.25a
4.18a	2.45a	10.34p	7.50p	4.42p	3.45p	ar E. Gaille lv	1.10p	12.26p	6.52a	5.40a	.....	11.57p
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SHEPPARD BEST SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT IN STATE SAYS SUPERINTENDENT SHEATS

That the efficient efforts of County Superintendent C. R. M. Sheppard to put the schools of Volusia county on the highest possible plane are not only appreciated by the people of the county, who are the most directly interested in the schools, but by the state board of education, which has general supervision of the educational work in the state, is shown by a letter written recently by State Superintendent Sheats to Mr. Sheppard, commending him for the work done in his office.

Mr. Sheat's letter and Mr. Sheppard's reply are given below:

Mr. Sheat's Letter

Tallahassee, Feb. 22, 1917

Hon. C. R. M. Sheppard,
DeLand, Fla.

Dear Sheppard:

I feel it to be my duty to present you a bouquet while you are still in the flesh. I have just tabulated your last annual report and find it correct, made with care and precision, neatly done, figures not made over another nor scratched out and so blotted that they could not be told; in short, such a report as a selfrespecting school officer should make.

I have just read also Supt. Phillips' account of educational conditions observed in your county, and I just wanted to tell you that I regard you as the best county superintendent in the state, courageous, painstaking, industrious, and in short, deserving a promotion more than any man connected with school work.

I feel that I ought to say this to you as I have so much of the opposite to contend with, and that it is my duty to give you this word of encouragement.

Very truly yours,
W. N. SHEATS,
State Superintendent.

Mr. Sheppard's Reply

DeLand, Fla., Feb. 24, 1917

Hon. W. N. Sheats,
State Superintendent,
Tallahassee, Fla.

Dear Mr. Sheats:

Your letter of the 22nd, which came to me absolutely unexpected, hence a complete surprise, is before me, and I wish to thank you very heartily for your kind and complimentary expressions in regard to me, my office work, my annual report to you, and the general work that is being done in this county for the cause of education.

We attempt to conduct affairs in the right kind of manner; we of course sometimes do wrong, on the other hand, we accept suggestions and criticism offered in the right kind of way, with a spirit of helpfulness.

As for the annual report and its appearance on the face of it, in justice to Mrs. Winnie Rodes Taylor, who has been my bookkeeper and stenographer for the past four years, I must say that the credit is all hers.

I also appreciate the kind expressions of Mr. Phillips in his report to you in regard to my work, and your comments relative to his report.

The contents of your letter I accept as one of the greatest compliments paid to any man. I accept the same without any feeling whatever of egotism, and coming from a sincere heart. I again thank you very heartily.

Yours very truly,
C. R. M. SHEPPARD,
County Superintendent.

Miss Bytha Remington was a visitor at school Tuesday afternoon.

The regular faculty meeting was held Monday afternoon after school, with nearly all the teachers present.

Report cards were handed out this week for the grades for the fifth month of this school term. There is only three more months of this school year.

The books and globe that were presented to the school last week by Mr. Detwiler are now in use in the school and are certainly appreciated by the students.

Increased Enrollment

The present enrollment was increased this week by the following incoming pupils: Lelia Mathis, on Monday, went into the first grade; J. C. Mathis went Monday into the fourth grade; and Ruby Gibson also went into the sixth grade.

An important meeting of the Parent-Teacher club will be held this afternoon at the regular place of meeting at the school house at the regular time. Every member is urged to be on hand at this meeting as the election of officers is to be held. Besides the business session, the important topic to be discussed by the club will be discipline.

The grades that have had vacancies during the past few weeks on account of measles are being gradually filled up. The third grade, from which most were absent, is now nearly complete. This epidemic came upon the school at an inopportune time, as up to this time the record of attendance had been very good. However, this is not the fault of the school nor the faculty.

The picture that Mr. Merchant took of the senior class last week was brought by him to chemistry class Tuesday and a proof taken on sensitized paper as an experiment for the pupils. The experiment was enjoyed by all. Needless to say, the picture was excellent, omitting the fact that two of the class were making faces at one another. This is one of the many times that Mr. Merchant has proven himself a good photographer.

New Electric Gong

The electric gong, which was so kindly donated to the school some time ago by the Hon. J. Y. Detwiler, was installed Thursday. The new gong was put practically in the same place as the old one, between the doors of the fourth and fifth grade rooms at the entrance. The gong is controlled by a push button in the front and has a clear ringing sound, caused by an electric trip. The bell is used for dismissal, marching and recesses. The electricians were William Woodward and Carl Langford.

Garden Started

R. E. Lenfest, demonstration agent for Volusia county, was a visitor at school Tuesday, giving a talk to the eighth grade along the lines of a corn club. A very interesting talk was given and it ended in the boys of the grade having a garden made in the rear of the school lot, upon which various things will be grown. This plot which is now being cultivated by the class was once before started about two years ago, but this time will prove a success no doubt.

The commencement programs for the senior class are soon to be ordered.

The Audubon society of the sixth grade meets today in their rooms with a very interesting program. Visitors are welcome.

Washington Programs

A few of the grades had programs commemorating Washington's birthday last Thursday. Following is the program given by the seventh grade:

Song—"Washington's Birthday."

Exercise—"Washington's Birthday," six boys, Walter Wilson, Horace Ross, Marcus Boyer, Dwight Hamilton, Randolphus Sheldon and Fred Zigrist.

Short Sketch of Washington's early Life—Clifton Scalf.

"Why We Have a Flag and Owe it Respect"—Louise Langford.

"History of the Origion of the Flag During the Revolutionary Period"—Ellen Ashton.

"Changes in the Flag and its Final Form"—Vera Marshall.

"Historical Episodes in Connection With the Flag," "Origion of Our National Song," and "Paul Jones' Great Sea Fight"—Marjorie Whitesides.

Song—"Mount Vernon Bells."

W. C. T. U. ENTERTAINS FACULTY OF THE SCHOOL

The teachers and principal of the public school were royally entertained Saturday at the home of Mrs. Gordon Silsby at Coronado Beach. The teachers went over on the 10 o'clock boat and spent the morning at the house, with Mrs. Silsby and friends entertaining them at various things. A good time was also enjoyed by them at the clubhouse, where games were indulged in. About noon a fine dinner was spread for the faculty under the trees beside the clubhouse. Everything that went for a good dinner was there, including those pies that Coronado housewives can make so good. After lunch most of the crowd went to the beach to enjoy the surf. The ladies were the guests of Mrs. G. C. Beck at their cottage on the beach, while Principal Marks made the best of the pavilion. The plunge was enjoyed after which the sights of Coronado were also enjoyed. Every courtesy and kindness was shown by Mrs. Silsby and her friends. The party returned on the 5 o'clock boat, all declaring they had spent an enjoyable day. The main purpose of this entertainment was to get the patrons of Coronado and the teachers acquainted and as heretofore no opportunity has presented itself by which they could get together. The teachers present on this occasion were: Misses Wallace, Dortch, Frier, Bradford, Bouchelle, Read, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Marks, Mrs. Wallace, Mrs. Beck and Principal Marks. Much appreciation is given to the patrons of Coronado for their kind invitation.

Honor Roll Last Month

The honor roll is the smallest it has been since the start of school. This is caused by measles and grippe, that has been prevalent among the pupils. However, the attendance is beginning to pick up now and it won't be long before it will be back to normal again. This roll is for the month ending February 23rd:

First Grade—Annie Bouchelle, Teacher.
George Beck
William Cane
Charles Campbell
Harry Dixon
Addie McGlon
Sidney Wright
Henry Zipperer
Leola Lopez
Margarite Mitchell
Marie Thompson

Second Grade—Annie Pattillo, Teacher
Howard Chilton
Ivan Lopez
D. C. Silvers
Lucile DeLoach
Susie Mae Haynes
Kathleen Norman
Martha Warren

First and Second Overflow—Alice Read, Teacher
Winnie Dixon
Mary Cane
Herman Sorrells

Third Grade—Lenora Frier, Teacher
Billie Sams
Clifford Bell
J. D. Sheldon
Thelma Tanner
Alice Kanter

Fourth Grade—Gladys Bradford, Teacher
William Byrd
Lester Cann
Harold Chambers
Fred Holley
George Webb
Gertrude Karrer
May Rowe

Fifth Grade—Mrs. Leora Murray, Teacher
Wesley Gridin
Theo Jernigan
Earl Norwood
Charles Read
Willie Swoope
Jessie Zipperer
Louise Loving
Ruth Riley
Thelma Long
Delia Ridge
Mary Sylbus
Helen Waterson
Mildred Wilson
Pearl Woodward

Sixth Grade—Mrs. Etta J. Beck, Teacher
Dorothy Fuller
Agnes Fairweather
Nellie Ferreira
Harriett Gause
Alice Lee McAuley
Lola Silvers
Gladys Vaughn
Clyde Webb
Lee Yarbrough
Lester Brooker
Bryan Childress
Richard Scalf
Arthur Van de Sande

Seventh Grade—Mrs. Mattie King, Teacher
Ellen Ashton
Vera Marshall
Elizabeth Thompson
Marjorie Whitesides
Walter Wilson

Eighth Grade—Mrs. Mollie G. Adams, Teacher
Louis Bouchelle
Walter Chilton
Irwin Delannett
Arnold Fuller
Louis Howell
Howard Matthews
Charley McAuley
Theodore Riley
George Webster
Kenneth Marantette
Brandt Watson
Willie Dutton
Lucy King
Lavinia Riley
Ruth Chambers

High School
Margaret Knapp
William Woodward
Lelia Brandt
Julia Dilzer
Alma Disbennett
Thelma Hayes
Ruth Jones
Joe Simmons
Lucile Dutton
Jeanette Gause
Ruby Yarbrough
Edna Greer
Whitney Hibbard
Maud Roach
Maggie Smith
Alta Webster

DIAMONDS AND HEARTS IS TO BE STAGED SOON

The high school play which the committee, consisting of William Woodward, Julia Dilzer and Gwendolyn Roach, has selected, and which will be staged after a few weeks' practice, is "Diamonds and Hearts." There were many plays from which to make a selection, but the members of the committee considered this one as the most suitable. The play itself is a comedy drama in three parts with snappy wit, and interesting escapades throughout, and with a lively finish. The cast of characters selected by the faculty and directors is a strong one, capable of producing some good amateur acting. Some of the high school scholars have seen this play produced and say it is a good one. The cast of characters selected is as follows:

Bernice Halstead ..... Julia Dilzer
Amy Halstead ..... Ruth Jones
Inez Gray ..... Lelia Brandt
Mrs. Halstead ..... Lucile Gause
Hannah Mary Barnes .. Edna Greer
Dwight Bradley ..... William Bowman
Dr. Burton ..... John Robertson
Sammy ..... Howard Willis
Abraham Barnes William Wooodward
Attorney ..... Francis Wilson
Sheriff ..... Carl Langford
Directors—Misses Dortch and Wallace, Principal G. W. Marks and Mrs. Evelyn Demaree Cooper.

The synopsis of the play is as follows:

Bernice Halstead is the step-daughter of Mrs. Halstead, who has a son and who is also anxious to have a match between her son and Bernice for financial reasons, for Bernice has a fortune at her command. She does not care very much for her step-daughter, and in fact there is little love lost on either side.

A little flirtation is carried on by Bernice with Dr. Burton, assisted by Amy Halstead and Inez Gray, which results in the mortification of Bernice. Differences result when an attempt is made by Mrs. Halstead to press her son's suit with Bernice. Bernice leaves for the country. In the country she is entertained by rough country folk, who treat her nicely. Bernice receives and rejects a proposal from Abraham Barnes. Complications arise when stolen jewels are found in her possession belonging to Mrs. Halstead. Dr. Burton happens in on the scene and falls in love with Bernice.

The next scene involves the clearing up of the suspicion and the happy ending in which Mrs. Halstead and her illustrious son are defeated and Dr. Burton and Bernice are engaged and Sammy dances together with them all as a grand ending.

HAWKS PARK

The church Aid were well pleased with their food sale and netted several dollars.

The women are busy these days getting ready for a bazaar to be held in the hall soon.

Joe Willcuit, of Cohassett, Mass., has returned to his home after a delightful two months hunting and fishing, etc., while a guest of his mother.

The card party in the hall Friday evening was greatly enjoyed by our many tourist friends. These social gatherings give all a chance to greet each other and get acquainted.

Miss Byrl Murray, who has been teaching in Hendersonville, N. C., returned home Monday, her school work being ended. Miss Murray will play the piano with the orchestra at the Rio Vista hotel the balance of the season.

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Green, of Barton, are spending their honeymoon in Florida and are at the Bay View hotel. Mr. Green has spent many winters in Florida and we are glad to have him with us and extend our congratulations and best wishes.

Col James H. Green of Boston, patriotic instructor of schools made glad the hearts of our school children on Washington's birthday, when her presented the school with a beautiful bunting flag to be flung to the breeze and wave o'er their heads day after day to remind them that they are living in "the land of the free and the home of the brave," and that this emblem of the grandest, freest country in the world will protect and care for her children. In making the presentation, Col. Green spoke as follows: "Teachers, Scholars and Friends:

"It is with much pleasure that I once more am privileged to stand in your midst and express to you in my humble way the interest and love for Old Glory that is constantly bubbling from my heart. It is well that we should meet here under these southern skies and give a few moments devotion to the most beautiful flag that floats under heaven and stands for the greatest nation on the face of the earth. It is particularly fitting at this time, when, on the other side of the water, is war and pestilence, that we renew our devotion to our country and its institutions. The flag we dedicate today stands as the emblem of that country and so throughout this republic, north, south, east and west, let us stand beneath its folds and renew our pledge of allegiance to our flag and to our country for which it stands. May this flag be an incentive to all who look upon it to higher thoughts, to loftier patriotism and to better citizenship. As we stand in its presence with bared heads may there sound in sorry hearts the refrain, and the Star Spangler Banner, "Oh, long may it wave on the land of the free and the home of the brave."

Following the speech of Col Green, Mrs. C. Williams, the teacher, accepted the flag with thanks and assured Mr. Green it would float to the breeze every school day.

As the flag was raised the children repeated the allegiance to the flag, and then, led by Mrs. Wardwell with her cornet, all sang the Star Spangled Banner. Then all entered the school house, where Col. Green made some remarks and then called upon Comrade Smith, who read an interesting story of Geo. Washington, the boy surveyor.

I. S. Crawford, a member of the local school board, in his able and pleasing manner, spoke of wars and their causes. After singing "America" a social time was enjoyed by parents and patrons.

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CHAPTER XVIII.

Blue Flannel and Corduroy.

THE world was snowbound—all that small world which lay between the hills in the valley at Thirty Mile. For two days it snowed so heavily that all work moved but intermittently at the upriver camp and then two days before Christmas the mercury dropped sharply into the hollows and the weather cleared.

From his window Stephen O'Mara watched the heavy loads crawl up to the storehouse door. He watched the drivers throw tarpaulins over the boxes and knew that they were too weary to unload that night. And he was still there at the frosted pane when the three men—Big Louie still plowing ahead—hove into view again from the direction of the stables and came straight toward his own shack. He opened the door and bade them enter before they had had a chance to knock. The swagger in the shoulders of two of them told him what to expect. Big Louie was only clumsy as usual.

'You did well to make it,' he told the latter kindly as he always addressed him. His nod to the others who reeked of white whisky was in part a question in no wise a welcome. "Well?" he asked.

Apparently there had been a conference beforehand for there was no hesitancy on the part of Fallon who had been ordained spokesman.

'We've come for our time,' he growled.

Steve nodded gravely.

"I see," he murmured. 'May I ask what's your grievance this time?'

They were satellites of Harrigan. Because of that he had kept them all where his eyes could find them at times. And even though their arch leader in discontent had not crossed his path in many days he listened now to an echo of Harrigan's activities.

'They're offering three a day in the reserve camps.' Fallon should not have gloated. 'Three a day and a bonus for the high week cut. 'We're going back to the river."

"I see," again observed Steve. 'Are they guaranteeing this wage for as long as you want to work?'

Apparently they had decided too that there should be no haggling.

"We want our time," Fallon reiterated. 'This is going to be a man's year on the river."

"You also?" Steve inquired of Shayne.

"Yes, me also," he came back, "an' a hundred others before the ice goes out.'

Big Louie he had given up for lost before this, and yet it was with Big Louie that Steve made a sincere effort.

"I'd like to have you stay, Louie." He faced the third man. "I need you for you can do more with horses than any man I know. You are worth three a day to me. Do you care to think it over?'

Big Louie's eyes had been mournful when he stumbled in out of the cold. They were this now. He started to turn toward the window for a look at the stables and then thought better of it. Resolutely for him he shook his head.

'I am done—me,' he muttered. "I work for no company that will leave honest men to starve.'

It was hopeless from the start, yet Steve tried again.

"I can promise you work as long as you are able to hold a reign," he offered, but he moved nearer the door while he was speaking. 'That is all I can promise.'

Perhaps Fallon believed that Big Louie was weakening. Perhaps he felt that the situation was too highly dramatic to be wasted for he made a wide flourish with one hand.

"We want our time, and we want it now,' he threatened. "We're going to show you whose bosses this river before we're done with you.''

Fallon shouldn't have gloated, he shouldn't have threatened. And Shayne shouldn't have smiled. Steve had slipped the hitch loose. Now he swung open the door.

'Call for your time at the Morrison office,' he said evenly, 'and if you're going—why, go!'

By collar and belt he swung him back and drove him sprawling into a drift.

'Are you in a hurry, too, Shayne?' he asked pleasantly, and Shayne buried his head beside Fallon's in the snow. Then Steve closed the door carefully and turned again to Big Louie.

"Louie,' he said, 'I make it a rule to urge no man who does not wish to stay. If it needs persuasion to keep you I do not want you here. But you are running with the wrong crowd, Louie. You'll learn it some day, but some day may be too late."

The big dreamy eyed man was hardly listening, but he gestured toward the door. And Steve treated his departure kindly, as he had always treated his presence.

Outside where Shayne and Fallon had picked themselves up Big Louie hesitated and fumbled in his pocket with a cold crippled hand. He delivered the letter for Stephen which had been intrusted to him by Miss Sarah. There are many men like Big Louie who are painfully faithful until events outstrip their intellects. Steve was sorry for him and a half hour later after he had read Miss Sarah's prim note requesting his presence at dinner at 7:30 Christmas eve, he grew sorrier still while he watched the ill assorted trio meet once more blanket packs upon their backs and snowshoes on their feet. Big Louie had joined the other two from the direction of the stables. There were words between them for Steve saw the huge man's arm lift to strike Shayne to the ground and then drop harmlessly back to his side. And Steve knew what that bit of pantomime meant. Big Louie had been to bid his team goodby. There was a smudge of brown sugar across his coat though the watcher was too far away to see that. But he knew that Big Louie had been crying. Knew that Shayne had smiled. It was the second time that Shayne had smiled that evening—his second bad mistake. Long after they had disappeared into the north toward the reserve company's camps Steve wondered that it had not occurred to him his life.

Miss Sarah's note which had been almost a week on the way was very primly correct but the inevitable postscript which underran it sounded a more intimate note.

We are not excessively formal as a rule, Stephen,' she wrote, 'so a dinner jacket will be adequate. As I am expecting two other guests besides your friends, Mr. Morgan and Garrett Deveraux, I must ask you to let no business matters interfere with your promptness.'

Steve dared not let himself wonder who those other guests would prove to be. Miriam Burrell he knew had already written Garry that this was to be the saddest Christmas and the merriest that she had ever known, giving as respective reasons her inability to be with him and the fact that she was so entirely his. Because he would not let himself hope this time he was not disappointed, or at least so he told himself, when he found only Dexter Allison with Caleb the next afternoon near 6. And on a sudden thought his eyes went roving around the room then, looking for Archibald Wickersham. But Miss Sarah gave him no time for a protracted scrutiny.

"And if you're going—why, go!"

'Your room is ready, Stephen,' she told him and steered him toward the stairs. 'You have an hour in which to dress, and you know already that I am old maidenishly strict.'

And then three quarters of an hour later when he had dressed and turned to the stairway Harbart was there at the foot of the flight waiting for him to appear. In a little low pink satin gown that made rounded her slenderness made her appear even smaller than she was—she gave him an elaborate courtesy from the main floor and flung up at him her laughter.

'Merry Christmas, Sir Galahad!' she called.

Steve, who was only dimly aware of the fact that Garry and Fat Joe had arrived, the latter guilty of his first dinner jacket and enormously proud of his guilt, stood looking at Barbara while she was chattering at him without hearing distinctly a word she spoke.

'You look as though I were a wraith,' the girl accused him. 'Am I so pale after a few weeks of sophisticated city air?'

'I thought you looked like—shall I tell you what I thought?'

'Most certainly,' she was forced to insist. 'Wasn't it a bald enough invitation for a pretty speech?'

'I thought you looked like a small pink bonbon,' responded Steve leisurely and, while the rest laughed at her discomfiture, Fat Joe leaned over and nudged Garry.

'What'd I tell you?' he demanded. "What'd I tell you? Say, ain't he working well tonight?'

There was no keeping the girl within doors after dinner was over. She ran upstairs and changed into moccasins and white blanket coat and skirt that barely met the moccasin tops halfway. And Steve, who had changed, too, and was waiting for her when she came down, had knotted a crimson scarf about the middle of his belted jacket to match the white one twisted about her throat.

The man and girl climbed far that night in quite unbroken silence. They had reached the crest of the first hill and stopped with the higher ridges in front of them, black bulks filigreed with white, before Barbara decided that she would have to make him talk.

From the first he talked fitfully that night. On other occasions she had noticed how his mind seemed to veer, whimsically from one topic to another with little apparent continuity of thought only to swing back again just when she was beginning to feel that she had lost the thread of inference to point his argument with parallels that were new and delightful wisdoms to her ears. But tonight his grave voiced divergences oftener than not left her thoughts behind his thoughts.

'It is a very easy country to get lost in,' he remarked when he had had to insist that his sense of direction and not hers should be the one to be trusted.

'It doesn't seem complicated,' he pondered. 'To a man who has come into the world with his sense of north and south and east and west all safely relegated to his backbone instead of having to depend upon the flighty functions of his brain for his guide it's about the simplest thing there is. He finds his way without thinking about the lay of the land or moss on the trees or the sun or stars. But the other one—the one who has to stop and reason that he must travel so many miles to the west to reach home in the afternoon he must become that man in the morning—why, he even gets to doubting his compass until night rolls him without a roof over his head and no wood collected for a campfire.'

'I shall try to remember that,' she answered soberly. 'If ever I am lost I—I shall try to wait confidently for daylight and keep my eyes to the fore.'

She was near to tears when he stooped and knelt in the snow to tighten a thong slipping from one webbed foot. Below them stretched a plain of shimmering white points bounded by inscrutable walls of black timber. Somewhere within the warmer heart of a swamp a fox yapped hungrily, somewhere within her own heart his whimsical discourse had awakened a sense of the mystery of his wilderness—its friendship for those who love it—its implacable enmity for those who do not understand. And he looked up just when that emotion came flooding into her face.

'It is wonderful—wonderful—wonderful,' she breathed, throwing out both arms with that característic impulsiveness which he knew so well. 'Now I know why you said men always return to it once they have felt its spell.'

'You are fickler than you know,' came back from him almost gruffly again and she could not parry with lightness so swift and strained a speech.

'You always tell me very pretty things,' was all she could think of to say in reply.

But then rising, he flung back his head and shook himself as if throwing off a burden to resume, and answer. He laughed aloud and from that minute until he loosed her feet from the snowshoes he was a boyish blue flannel and corduroy lover again. But his attitude no longer made her feel helpless.

'If I cared for you,' he made her admit before he would let her go in that night, 'If I cared for you my engagement to no man could stand in the way. But that is the reason I know I do not care.'

She had seen him grave with doubt that night, seen him fight to shake it off. There was doubt in his answer now.

'Because I am not'— But he could not force himself to ask it.

'Because I could never care as you would demand the woman should care who marries you,'

She wanted to help him a little, she didn't know just why. Pity is a very dangerous emotion when pity is not sought.

'You are loving me that way this minute,' he said, but his words were dogged. 'Loving me more than you know.'

There was neither reference to her letter nor mention of that night at Thirty Mile when she had stolen out to bid him goodby. Other long tramps followed on other pale and zero nights but his attitude remained much the same.

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'You will be coming back,' he told her again the day he put her on the train. 'You will be back in the spring?'

It was his old, hopeful challenge with all the hope left out.

'I think so,' she faltered in return. 'I mean to come and see the completion of your work if father will let me.' She knew a moment of confusion. 'I wonder many nights if you are safe up here in the hills.'

Indeed Miss Sarah had made progress, though the surface indications were small. The girl would never think of him again simply in terms of blue flannel and corduroy. But that was not the most disturbingly vivid memory which she carried away with her.

'I love you.' He framed the words silently as the train was pulling out and although their positions were reversed the moment was so reminiscent of that day when he had leaned out of her father's switch engine cab and asked if she wanted a ride that it made her throat ache.

She waved a small gloved hand to him on the platform.

She did not want to go.

(To be continued.)

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23	12 09	1 33	2 42	1 28	2 08
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Bethlehem's Bid on Shells for the United States Navy

To the American People

The Secretary of the Navy has awarded contracts amounting to over $3 000 000 to a British bidder for 14 and 16 inch projectiles for the Navy because of very much lower prices offered by the English bidders.

We know nothing of the basis upon which the British bids were made but the public is entitled to know the facts upon which we ourselves bid for this work.

Two years ago we took contracts to make 1 200 14 inch shells at a price of $1 515 000. Up to now not a single shell has been accepted by the Government although we have expended in wages, materials, etc., on these orders $522 874, and we have not received a SINGLE DOLLAR on these contracts.

In a literal interpretation of the contract might make us liable for penalties amounting to $[illegible]

In the light of our experience, and having no other basis, we bid for 16 inch shells approximately the same rate per pound as that which the Navy Department actually awarded a 14-inch shell contract one year ago.

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STATE NEWS NOTES

Twenty four churches of Tampa have joined in a union revival meeting to begin March 11 and to continue for three weeks.

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J E Ruddy aged 24 met death in the swimming pool of the Y M C A at Jacksonville. He was stricken with paralysis while swimming.

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Aviators at West Palm Beach for the winter are making flights over to Lake Worth and vicinity and back as a matter of exercise for themselves and the rubbernecks along the route.

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Manatee county is making some noise over the fact that within one weeks time it shipped over $75 000 worth of garden truck to northern markets.

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Governor Catts has appointed J S Andrews as sheriff of Holmes county to fill out the unexpired term of the former sheriff who died the first of last week.

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A special road and bridge district embracing the southern half of Lafayette county has voted by a majority of four to one $[illegible] 000 in bonds to make needed improvements.

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Governor Catts was the guest of, and addressed the Osceola county fair at Kissimmee. He congratulated the people for such a magnificent showing.

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The Gibbs Gas company plant located in South Jacksonville was entirely destroyed by fire. It is estimated that the damage was about $50 000. It was completely insured.

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The erection of a new theater has been begun at Stewart. The building will be 40 by [illegible] of concrete blocks and will have a seating capacity of nearly 400 people.

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After months and months of sweating Arcadia is to have a union passenger station of the Atlantic Coast Line, the Charlotte Harbor and Northern and the East and West Coast.

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The new postoffice building for Orlando will be completed by February 1 1918. The great increase in business of the Orlando postoffice has necessitated more commodious quarters.

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Dr E M Nighbert announces the possibility of erecting an interstate dipping vat for ticky cattle at Kissimmee. Dr Nighbert is at the head of the tick eradication work in Florida.

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I W Bernheim of Louisville Ky, has adopted plans for the erection of a five story one hundred room hotel at West Palm Beach. It will be directly opposite the Royal Poinciana and will be one of the finest hotels in Florida.

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Three dipping vats have been built in Leon county and two more have been provided for the county commissioners have given one hundred dollars toward one of them. It is their ambition to have a tick free county at the earliest possible date.

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Physicians of Tampa are organizing a stock company with a capital of $[illegible] for the purpose of erecting equipping and maintaining a modern hospital in that city. It will be named the William Pitt Lawrence hospital. Dr J S Mellus is the president.

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A hughe syrup mill with a capacity of 950 gallons at one boiling has been opened on the road between Kissimmee and St Cloud. The mill is owned by J W Wilson Jr who believes firmly that the making of syrup will eventually become one of the leading industries.

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Growers are taking steps to erect a $20 000 cane syrup factory at Wauchula so great is the industry in and about that section. It is estimated that the plant will net $18 000 the first year off of 300 acres of cane. Five acres will produce 100 tons of cane, it is said.

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Because he failed to discriminate between an accelerator and a brake, Frank Adams of Palm Beach shot out of the public parking in his five passenger car at West Palm Beach and crashed into the front door of a bank crashing plate glass and smashing the car frightfully but injuring no one.

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OBJECT

The object of this Association is to secure from the Federal Congress appropriations for the acquisition either by purchase or condemnation proceedings, the entire East Coast Canal from Jacksonville to Key West. To work in conjunction with the Atlantic Deeper Waterways Association in the furtherance of their project.

"DEEP WATER," Our Slogan.

WOODROW WILSON CANAL

J. H. Drummond, of St. Andrews, Florida, is advocating a water route which he proposes to call the Woodrow Wilson Canal, to connect the waters of the Ocamulgee river, which is an affluent of the Altamaha river, with the Flint river at a point near Albany, Georgia, both streams being of navigable depth at the points where the connection would be made. The proposed canal would be about 45 miles in length This route he suggests as an alternative to the several routes across Florida by way of the St. Marys or the Upper St. Johns rivers.

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Much of the talk about "pork barrel" appropriations is pure bunk. When Philadelphia gets something for the Navy Yard the press of a dozen rival cities shouts that political interests have been getting in their work. As a matter of fact, the efficiency of our naval establishment has been seriously handicapped by this sort of provincialism. There ought to be a navy yard at New York, there ought to be one at Philadelphia, another at Norfolk, another at Charleston and another on the Gulf coast, probably at Pensacola. Instead of these contesting cities fighting every move for improvements at another, they ought to work together and the nation ought to work with them, for such appropriations as can be economically used for bringing each of the several stations to the highest point of efficiency. There is more bunk handed to the people when real preparedness is undertaken than the most dyspeptic citizen ever dreamed of.—Philadelphia Ledger.

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The report of the building inspector of Daytona shows that the total estimated value of new buildings erected during the year 1916 was $179,405. The total number of permits issued was 103.

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There is no frost line in Florida or any other state in the Union and all of them get their bumps now and then. After all Florida is the best all around state in the Union.—Sanford Herald.

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Messrs. Lambert and Moody have closed another large turpentine deal, having purchased the Relay Turpentine company's holdings located just west, of Dupont. There is 16,000 acres of turpentine timber in this tract, and it is considered one of the best turpentine tracts in this part of the state.

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In the agriculture appropriation bill, which has passed the senate, is included an appropriation of $430,000 for the continuation of the campaign for the eradication and control of citrus canker disease in Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas. Of this sum $180,000 is to become immediately available to continue the campaign from now until July 1. The other $250,000 is to be used during the next fiscal year, with the stipulation that none of it shall be spent unless the states, counties or municipalities contribute work to equal, dollar for dollar, with the federal government.

ARGUMENT IN CANAL HEARING IN SUPREME COURT TODAY

DECISION OF COURT WILL SETTLE LAW

ATTORNEY GENERAL GIVES FULL EXPLANATION OF PETITION AND MOTION TO QUASH ALTERNATIVE WRIT.

The secretary of the Florida East Coast Canal association has received the following letter from Attorney T. F. West, dated February 24, in explanation of the suit started in behalf of the state of Florida to compel the East Coast Canal company to either put the canal in the condition called for under its contract with the state, or deed the lands received back to the state:

"For your information I am enclosing herewith copy of petition and copy for writ of mandamus which I have filed on behalf of the state against the Florida East Coast Canal and Transportation company to compel this company to restore the canal to the prescribed dimensions of width and depth under the law, together with a copy of the motion to quash the alternative writ issued in the case, commanding the company forthwith to proceed to restore and maintain the canal.

"The motion to quash has been set for argument next Friday (today) in the supreme court. The hearing and the decision of the court on this motion will settle the law of this case, and I hope to be able to move the matter along after that time to a speedy consumation of the results which we expect to secure by this proceeding.

"As soon as a decision is reached after the hearing, I will notify you and will keep you advised of developments in the litigation."

The position of the state of Florida ex rel Thomas F. West as Attorney General, who sues for the state of Florida and for the people of the state of Florida, in this behalf comes on the 30th day of January, during the January term of said court in the year of 1917, while said court is sitting and respectfully shows:

I

That the relator, Thomas F. West, is the duly elected, commissioned and acting Attorney General of the state of Florida, and the respondent, Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation, company, is a corporation, organized as a canal and transportation company under the laws of the state of Florida and particularly chapter 1987 of the acts of 1874, entitled, "An act to provide a general law for the incorporation of railroads and canals," as amended by chapter 3166 of the acts of 1879, laws of Florida, by which amendment aid from the state in the way of the grants of land was authorized and given to railroad and canal companies incorporated under said act, copies of the articles of association of said respondend corporation with the amendments thereto on file in the office of the secretary of state being hereto attached marked exhibits "A-1," "A-2," "A-3" and "A-4" and made a part hereof.

II

That the respondent owns and pretends to maintain for public use in the carrying of passengers and property by vessel and other watercraft, a certain canal composed of artificial and natural waterways paralleling the East Coast of Florida and lying wholly within the state of Florida and extending from the St. Johns river on the north, beginning at a point where Pablo creek enters the St. Johns river, thence in a southerly direction by canal to North river, thus connecting the navigable waters of St. Johns river with the navigable waters of North river; thence in a southerly direction through North river into Matanzas river; thence through Matanzas river and in a southerly direction by canal from Matanzas river into and through Smith's creek to Halifax river, thus connecting the navigable waters of Matanzas river with the navigable waters of Halifax river; thence in a southerly direction through Halifax river and various canals, cuts and excavations into the navigable waters of Mosquito Lagoon, thus connecting the navigable waters of Halifax river with the navigable waters of Mosquito Lagoon; thence in a southerly direction through Mosquito Lagoon to the narrow strip of land separating Mosquito Lagoon from Indian river, thus connecting the navigable waters of Mosquito Lagoon with the navigable waters of Indian river; thence in a southerly direction through Indian river by various excavations, cuts and canals into Peck lake; thence in a southerly direction through Peck lake, South Jupiter narrows, Hobes Sound, Jupiter Sound, Lake Worth creek and various excavations, cuts and canals into Lake Worth, thus connecting the navigable waters of the Indian river with the navigable waters of Lake Worth; thence in a southerly direction through Lake Worth to its southern shore; thence in a southerly direction from Lake Worth by canal into and through Hollsborough river, Lake Mable and various excavations, cuts and canals into Biscayne bay, thus connecting the navigable waters of Lake Worth with the navigable waters of Biscayne Bay, thereby providing and affording a navigable inland waterway from Jacksonville to Miami, the location of said canal and waterway being indicated generally by a dotted line on the map of the state of Florida, copy of which is hereto attached, marked exhibit "B" and made a part hereof, but more acurately by a blue print of an actual survey of said canal, copy of which is also hereto attached, marked exhibit "C" and made a part hereof.

III

That although said respondent was authorized by its articles of association to extend said canal southward to Key West, this was never done, and the southern terminus of said canal and waterway is Biscayne bay.

IV

That in addition to cutting and maintaining the canals authorized and necessary for the purpose of connecting the waters of the natural streams and providing and affording navigation to the public, the said respondent was and is authorized and required to remove all shoals, oyster banks or other obstruction to the complete navigation of said waterway from the St. Johns river on the north to the Biscayne Bay on the south, to the end that a channel of the dimensions fixed and prescribed by the specifications for said canal hereinafter referred to for the entire length of the said waterway may be afforded and a safe and inexpensive means of transportation for the people of the state thereby provided and maintained.

V

That the state of Florida, in order to aid financially in the construction of said canal, by chapters 2166 of the acts of 1879, laws of Florida, 3641 of of the acts of 1885, laws of Florida and 3995 of the acts of 1889, laws of Florida, did grant and thereby authorize and direct the trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of the state of Florida to convey to said respondent large acreages of land held by said state lying adjacent to the line of said canal, and in pursuance of said authority and direction the said trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund did, from time to time, make conveyances of the land so granted to said respondent until the aggregate acreage so granted and conveyed to said respondent by the state of Florida for said purpose was 1,031,125 acres.

VI

That in addition to the land grant to said respondent contained in chapter 3995 of the acts of 1889, laws of Florida, for the purpose of aiding and facilitating the construction of said canal and thus affording transportation to the people of the state, specifications for said canal were prescribed by the legislature and it was therein provided that the said canal and waterway of said respondent should not be less than 50 feet wide and not less than 5 feet deep at mean low water for the entire distance of said canal, and that it should be so maintained by said respondent; and it was provided in said act that no conveyance of any lands reserved for that purpose should be made by the trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund to said respondent for any portion of the said canal and waterway between St. Augustine and Biscayne bay which should remain uncompleted in accordance with such specifications at the end of five (5) years from the first day of June A. D., 1889; and it was further provided in said act that said respondent should accept the provisions thereof within sixty (60) days after it has been approved by the governor and should file a notice of such acceptance with the trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund, which acceptance should be held to constitute a contract between the state of Florida and said respondent in accordance with the provisions of said act. And this relator, for and on behalf of said state of Florida, avers that said respondent did accept the provisions of said act and did file a notice of its acceptance as therein required to be filed with the trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund, a copy of which acceptance is hereto attached, marked exhibit "D" and made a part hereof.

VII

That thereafter, by chapter 4284, of the acts of 1893, laws of Florida, the time for the completion of said canal according to said specifications was extended for four (4) years from the 1st day of June A. D., 1893, and said extension and the conditions thereof were accepted by said respondent as required by said act and notice of such acceptance was filed with the trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund as therein required, a copy of such notice being hereto attached, marked exhibit "E-1" and made a part hereof; that thereafter by chapter 4623 of the acts of 1897, the time for the completion of the said canal, according to said specifications, was extended to the 1st day of January, A. D., 1898, and said extension and the conditions thereof were accepted by said respondent as required by said act and notice of such acceptance was filed with the trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund as therein required, a copy of such notice being hereto attached marked exhibit "E-2" and made a part hereof; that thereafter, by chapter 4846 of the acts of 1899, laws of Florida, the time for the completion of said canal, according to said specifications, was extended for four (4) years from the 1st day of January, A. D., 1899, and said extension and the conditions thereof were accepted by said respondent as required by said act and notice of such acceptance was filed with the trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund as therein required, a copy of such notice being hereto attached, marked exhibit "E-3" and made a part hereof; that thereafter, by chapter 5279 of the acts of 1903, laws of Florida, the time for the completion of said canal, according to said specifications, was extended to the 1st day of June, A. D., 1905, and said extension and the conditions thereof were accepted by said respondent as required by said act and notice of such acceptance was filed with the trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund as therein required, a copy of such notice being hereto attached, marked exhibit "E-4" and made a part hereof.

VIII

That notwithstanding the liberality of said state to said respondent, as evidenced donation of more than one million (1,000,000) acres of land for the purpose of aiding in the construction and maintenance of said canal and the apparently almost inexhaustible patience of the said state, evidenced by the granting of said several extensions of time for the completion of said canal according to said specifications, the said respondent had not completed said canal at the expiration of the period covered by the last extension, that is to say, on June 1, 1905, whereupon the said trustees of the Internal Improvement fund refused to convey to said respondent large acreages of land claimed by it under said legislative grants, the title to which was held by said trustees as hereinbefore stated.

IX

That thereafter, on December 1, A. D., 1906, a contract was entered into by said trustees of the Internal Improvement fund and the said respondent, wherein it is recited that it is recognized by the parties thereto that great benefits would accrue to the state by the completion of the said canal to the St. Johns river, in the drainage and reclamation of lands, the increasing of tax values, the furnishing of transportation facilities to a large portion of the East Coast of Florida, as well as enhancing the value of said canal as a transportation line to said company and to the public, and it was agreed by said company in said contract that it would complete said canal according to said specifications; that it would cut and construct that portion of said canal from St. Augustine to the St. Johns river, according to said specifications, and as originally proposed and authorized, but not therotofore constructed, and that it would pay over to said trustees the sum of fifty thousand dollars ($50,000), in consideration of which and in consideration of the work of said respondent in draining and reclaiming certain swamp and overflowed lands through which said waterway would run, the trustees agreed to convey to said respondent the lands claimed by it to have been earned under said grants of the legislature of the state, a copy of which said contract is hereto attached, marked exhibit "F" and made a part hereof.

X

That said contract was substantially carried out and performed by the parties thereto and the said canal was regarded by them as completed according to said specifications, and on the 23rd day of November, A. D. 1912, the last deed to be delivered to said respondents in compliance with the terms and conditions of said contract was delivered to and accepted by it.

XI

That thereupon it became and is the legal duty of said respondent under said several contracts, as well as under the law prescribing the public duties of transportation lines and carriers of the character of this respondent, to maintain said canal and waterway at all times and at all points on and along said canal and waterway according to the specifications prescribed and fixed by said statute, that-is-to-say, it was and is the legal duty of said respondent to maintain said canal at a width of not less than 50 feet and at a depth of not less than five feet at mean low water for the entire distance of said canal from its intersection with said St. Johns river on the north to Biscayne bay on the south, and said relator says that unless said canal is so maintained it will serve no useful purpose to the public, transportation for the people of the state of Florida by boat, vessel and other craft on said waterway will not be afforded, the intent and purpose of the waterway as hereinbefore stated will be defeated and respondent will escape from and be relieved of the duty imposed upon it by law to so maintain said canal.

XII

That notwithstanding the duty of said respondent to the people of the state of Florida and the public generally, the said relator, as attorney general of the state, avers and informs this honorable court that the said Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation company, the said respondent, has not maintained its said canal and waterway according to said specifications and as required by law, but, on the contrary, it has neglected its duty so to do and has failed to maintain said canal at a width of not less than 50 feet and a depth of not less than five feet at mean low water; that practically nothing is being done, particularly on the southern portion of said canal, in the way of maintenance and for months at a time great stretches of said waterway are neglected and practically abandoned by said respondent and permitted to remain at less than 50 feet in width and less than five feet in depth at mean low water.

That, measured from St. Augustine and beginning at the southern terminus of said canal, indicated by check marks in red ink on the blue print hereto attached, the said canal and waterway has been permitted to shoal and partially fill up and become narrow and at the following points is now and has for months been permitted to remain at less than 5 feet deep at mean low water and less than 50 feet wide, namely: at and near mile posts 314 and 313 in Biscayne bay; at and near the entrance of said canal and waterway into Biscayne bay; at the entrance of said canal into Dumfounding bay from the south between mile posts 309 and 308; at and near mile ost 308 in Dumfounding bay; at and near mile posts 303 and 302; at and near mile post 300; at and near mile posts 299, 298, 297, 296, 295, 294, 293, 292, 291, 290, 289 and 288; at and near mile posts 285, 284 and 283; at and near mile posts 281 and 280; at and near mile posts 265 and 264; at and near mile posts 94, 93 and 92; at and near mile posts 79, 78, 77, 76, and 75; at and near mile posts 52, 51 and 50; at and near mile posts 48, 47, 46, 45, 44, 43, 42, and 41; at and near mile posts 48, 47, 46, 45, 44, 43, 42 and 41.

That at said points and at various and sundry other points easily ascertainable by examination, measurement and test, along said canal and waterway, and for great stretches of said waterway it is only 3 to 3½ and 4 feet in depth and is only 30 to 40 feet in width, particularly on the northern portion of said canal and the waterway in a northerly direction to where said canal and waterway enters the navigable waters of Indian river, and from the canal connecting Indian river with Mosquito Lagoon in a northerly direction to the town of Ormond.

That the work proposed to be done by said respondent by way of restoration and maintenance of said canal and waterway is wholly inadequate and will be practically of no value or benefit to said respondent or to the public, as will appear by reference to a letter recently written to the general manager of said respondent by the chief drainage engineer of the state of Florida after personal inspection of said canal and waterway by said engineer and this relator, copy of which letter is hereto attached marked "G" and made a part hereof.

XIII

That the said respondent in failure to maintain said canal and waterway in compliance with said specifications and as required by law in the performance of its public duty, is evading and shirking the obligations and duties which it owes to the state of Florida and the general public, is subjecting the public to great inconvenience and damage, depriving them of convenient, inexpensive and certain transportation for themselves, their freight and their products, and injuring and destroying the industries of the people, retarding and hindering the development of the state, thereby defeating in a large measure the object and intent of the state in aiding in the construction and maintenance of said canal and the purpose for which said waterway was constructed, and is escaping its obligations and duties to the public to the great wrong and injury, loss and damage of the state of Florida and the public generally.

XIV

That the relator for and on behalf of the said state further avers and shows unto this honorable court that the people of the said state and the public generally are without remedy in the premises unless it be afforded by interposition of this court as herein prayed.

Whereupon this relator, for and on behalf of the state of Florida, prays that an alternative writ of mandamus be issued by this court directed to the Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation company, a corporation under the laws of the state of Florida, the said respondent commanding the said Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation company to forthwith proceed in the performance of its public duty to restore said canal and waterway to its original dimensions according to the specifications prescribed by law, that is to say, to a width of not less than 50 feet and a depth of not less than 5 feet at mean low water for the entire length of said canal and waterway from the St. Johns river on the north to Biscayne bay on the south, and particularly to restore said canal and waterway to a width of not less than 50 feet and a depth of not less than 5 feet at mean low water at the following points, measured from St. Augustine and beginning at the southern terminus of said canal, namely: at and near mile posts 314 and 313 in Biscayne bay; at and near the entrance of said canal and waterway into Biscayne bay; at the entrance of said canal, into Dumfounding bay from the south betwen mile posts 309 and 308; at and near mile post 308 in Dumfounding bay; at and near mile post 303 and 302; at and near mile post 300; at and near mile posts 299, 298, 297, 296, 295, 294, 293, 292, 291, 290, 289 and 288; at and near mile posts 285, 284 and 283; at and near mile posts 281 and 280; at and near mile posts 265 and 264; at and near mile posts 94, 93 and 92; at and near mile posts 79, 78, 77, 76, and 75; at and near mile posts 52, 51 and 50; at and near mile posts 48, 47, 46, 45, 44, 43, 42 and 41; and at various and sundry other points easily ascertainable by examination, measurement and test along said canal and waterway; and particularly on the southern portion of said canal and waterway from Miami in a northerly direction to where said canal and waterway enters the navigable waters of the In-

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FLORIDA CANAL PROJECTS

It will be remembered that the engineers' surveys on the intracoastal route between Beaufort Inlet, North Carolina and Key West, Florida, stopped at the St. Johns river and decision as to any route beyond that river was deferred for later investigation and report. There are two possible routes, one following the coastal thoroughfares from a point near the mouth of the St. Johns river all the way through to Biscayne bay, the other proceeding up the St. Johns river to a point near its source and thence by a cut overland rejoining the coastal thoroughfares about half way down the coast line. A supplemental report was recently filed by Cols. Langford, Kelly and Ladue, adverse to the purchase of the existing canal, the construction of a canal over a parallel route, or the present maintenance of such a waterway by the gavernment on the ground of insufficient commercial or military use. This report is now waiting action by the board of engineers for rivers and harbors. At the annual meeting of the Florida East Coast Canal association, which was held at Fort Lauderdale November 14th and 15th, resolutions were adopted requesting the board of engineers for rivers and harbors to postpone final action on this adverse report until such time as residents of Florida, desirous of securing an improved water route, can prepare a fitting answer. The résolutions declare belief in the ability of an adequately and properly maintained inland waterway along the East Coast of Florida to add materially to the development of the territory and, by savings on transportation charges on tonnage carried, to pay within a few years the entire cost of such a waterway. The co-operation of Senators Fletcher and Bryan, of Florida, Representative Sears and this association was requested toward securing a hearing on the coast canal project. Mr. H. I. Hamilton, secretary of the Florida association, advises us that they plan to have the state legislature create a "Canal District" and through such action operating under existing laws, then to be in a position to straighten out the present somewhat confused relations as between the canal company, the state of Florida and the Federal Government.—Bulletin of the Atlantic Deeper Waterways Association.

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GOOD GOVERNMENT SPREADS

According to the Literary Digest, now that nearly one hundred small cities throughout the country have city managers, some of the largest municipalities are beginning to consider abandoning present forms of government in favor of an executive selected by "directors." It seems that the change is now being advocated by the leading dailies in Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Chicago, Kansas City and Minneapolis. When reading of the advanced step urged and advocated for big and progressive cities, it may be well for the people of New Smyrna to consider that if the city-manager form of government has pulled other cities out of their municipal difficulties there is pretty good prospect that it will help to extricate this city from the condition it is in at this time. "Engineering and Contracting," published in Chicago has the following to say concerning the city-manager plan: "In Cleveland, for example, a nominating committee appointed by 50 civic organizations has just met to consider the selection of 15 men to investigate the city-manager plan. Among the members of this committee is Dr. Charles S. Howe, president of the Case School of Applied Science. The Cleveland Press urges a change in the city charter to enable the city to adopt the modern method of managing a city like a stock company. The Press says: 'The conduct of city affairs should be in the hands of a thoroughly trained and well tried city manager, chosen not for a definite period, but to hold office as long as he does his work well.' At last the American public begins to see that periodic selection of councilmen and mayors by election is a poor way of getting good municipal government. Imagine a railway system operated under the direction of men selected anew every two to four years by popular vote! the glib speaker, the sweet smiler, the hearty hand gripper would then have a better chance of being president of the railway than the man who had spent all his life studying railway construction and operation. The fact is that our entire system of 'representative government,' in which representation comes solely through elections, is an uneconomic system and is destined shortly to be changed."

THE FISH COMMISSION

The News has received a copy of the report of the state shell fish commission, in which Commissioner T. R. Hodges has set forth the work of the department for the past two years. The report is not only interesting reading, but it is embellished with some valuable photographs showing the various fish found in the waters of Florida. This makes the book valuable as a contribution to the literature of Florida. The report shows that the shell fish commission collected $45,949.58 during the biennial period and, after paying all expenses of deputy and patrol service and the purchase of much equipment, has a cash balance in its fund of $9,261.80. The department has certainly been most efficient in enforcing the laws on the subject over which it has jurisdiction and Commissioner Hodges is to be congratulated on being able to make such a report.

HICKSON PREDICTS THE FASHIONS

Hickson, the best known creator of tailored suits on Fifth avenue, makes the following fashion predictions in Harper's Bazar for March, now ready: "Broadly speaking, the straight silhouette will continue; skirts will be noticeably narrower, jackets will be shorter, and an appearance of simplicity will be striven for. Perfect tailoring, plain cloth and bone or self colored buttons are the striking features of nine out of ten costumes; and even in top and motor coats plain fabric, especially coverts, are more modish than the stripes and checks of a short time ago.

W. C. T. U.

By Mrs. W. H. Newell.

At the meeting of the W. C. T. U. held Monday afternoon the resignationof Mrs. B. F. Green as secretary was received and accepted and Mrs. C. A. Roach was elected secretary to succeed Mrs. Green. Mrs. Green tendered her resignation in order that she might take up the work of the Loyal Temperance Legion. At the close of the business session an interesting program on "Franchise" prepared by Mrs. Roach was given.

Franchise

In studying the word "franchise" we find that much stress is laid on the two words "privilege" and "free." and until the day comes when all the women of our country have the privilege of voting, we cannot say that our sex is entirely free, as many of our sisters in all parts of the land are in bondage, caused by the awful curse of drink. It is the duty of every broad minded woman of today to do her part in trying to get control of the polls when it comes to a wet and dry election. Let us not be asleep at our post but stand ready to grasp every opportunity that comes our way, and show the men what a better world this will be when the fair sex steps into the harness to do what they can for the ones addicted to the awful habit of drink. Let us then, as a band of faithful women, keep up courage and never falter until the day comes when we can go to the polls, and cast our votes against the selling of intoxicating drinks. It is often said women are good fighters. Well, the fight is on right now, today, and we are bound to win. "The hand that rocks the cradle, rules the world."

Coronado W. C. T. U.

The Coronado W. C. T. U. held its regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. J. H. Vrooman. The subject for discussion was "Medical Temperance." A number of papers were read and discussed.

Only a few years ago, alcohol, in some of its many forms, was one of the standard remedies for almost any sickness. Today, our best physicians are practically agreed that it has little if any, place in medicine. The Manatee County Medical association has passed a resolution discouraging its use. It is to be hoped that our physicians, all over the state, will follow their example

Mrs J. H. Vrooman and Mrs. G. C. Silsby were appointed by the union to confer with our resident and visiting physicians on the subject.

The faculty of the New Smyrna school was entertained at a picnic dinner at the club house on Saturday. It was certainly a step in the right direction. Our teachers and W. C. T. U. members should become better acquainted as we have a common interest. Who can say how much the teaching of scientific temperance in the public school has done to advance this tidal wave that it now sweeping over our country? It is surely advancing and may it never recede until the last saloon is washed away.

On Sunday evening at the church, one of Mrs. Silsby's medal contests, interspersed with Victrola music was thoroughly enjoyed. We feel especially indebted to Mrs. Liming for her assistance at the organ. We want her here every winter and will keep her here as long as we can. The contestants for the medal were little girls from eight to twelve years of age from New Smyrna. Those taking part were Ruth Riley, Susie Childress, Alice Lee McAuley, Helen Childress, Macie Sheldon, Ellen Ashton. The speaking showed thorough work and was all so well done that is was difficult to decide which should have the medal. It was presented by Mrs. W. L. Cooper to Alice Lee McAuley, whose recitation was entitled, "Ma Can't Vote."

All this is but educational. It serves to keep the subject before the people, but if our nation is to go dry in 1920, there is real work to be done. The cause is moving forward so rapidly that we can scarcely keep informed as to its progress. But it would never do for any part of the great temperance organization to relax its vigilance for a single moment. Our great national prohibition bill is in danger of being crowded out of congress for lack of time. Only a few more days until the 4th of March and so much to be done. With 25 states dry, three more ready to submit the question to the vote of the people, and at least six more in which strenuous efforts are being put forth to join the drys, it would seem that the time had come for national prohibition. If this session of congress does not pass the bill, just look to the next, and look harder. If necessary, our congressmen should be so deluged with letters and petitions that they would be glad to pass the bill. We hear much of preparedness for war. As a war measure, Russia prohibited the sale of vodka, and France the use of absinthe. England has also her temperance legislation. What could be better as a first step toward preparedness in the United States than the abolition of the liquor traffic. At the mere suggestion of such a measure, what a cry went up from the brewer! Their "personal liberty," or rather their nefarious buisness, that was in danger was worth more to them than our young manhood or the honor of their country. Let us keep at it on every side. The time is not far distant when this shall indeed be "the land of the free." Free from the enthrallment of the liquor traffic.

MRS. P. R. TUCKER.
Press Supt., W. C. T.U.,
of Coronado.

BAZAAR GIVEN BY LADIES OF THE CORONADO CLUB

The women of the Coronado club gave a bazaar in the club house the morning and afternoon of Washington's birthday and the affair proved an attraction for a large number of people. As a result of their efforts the women cleared about $125, which will be given by the ladies toward the erection of a new clubhouse.

"An abstract noun is the name of something of which we can think, but which we cannot touch," said a teacher to a pupil. "Give me an example."

"A redhot poker, sir!"—London Tit-Bits.

The Scots in Ulster first established linen manufactories during the reign of James I., and from this beginning has the business of the present day developed

ANCIENT CITY MEN EXPLAIN WORKINGS

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eliminate partisan politics from their municipal affairs and keep them eliminated and to back up and support the more centralized government.

Men of large affairs demand broad authority and broad authority develops and attracts capable executives. This authority carries responsibility and this responsibility imposes upon the executive caution. The executives with broad authority and using caution accomplish results.

There must be in the ideal government a clear line of demarcation between legislative and administrative authority—confusion in authority leads to confusion in results. Communities, that, for any reason, cannot give broad authority to the executive are not ready for the ideal and should accept a more modified centralized authority and not call it a city-manager form. Communities that are ready to grant this broader authority to the executive or chief administrative head of the government, the city manager, are ready to avail themselves of the opportunities for vast improvement and better municipal conditions by the adoption of a commission-manager charter.

Lack of authority allows for excuses and explanations, clean cut authority and responsibility assure clean cut men and clean cut results

It is unfortunate to a certain extent that many people have come to look upon commission-manager government as a panacea for all municipal ills. Such is not the case. A commission-manager charter, merely drafted, merely provides the best tools known with which to work. Unfortunate also is the fact that in many communities the leading citizens who have successfully carried through a campaign for a commission-manager charter, have felt that once this charter is adopted their labors are ended. Nothing can be further from the fact. As I have said, good government—its inception and continuation—depends entirely upon an enlightened citizenship. One adopted, it is the duty of the citizens responsible for the change to stand behind the men they have placed upon the commission and not only show their confidence in the commissioners they have elected but great patience in allowing the commissioners ample time to recognize, readjust and build up a working organization.

Now, as to the detailed organization, under commission-manager government: As I have said the only elective officers are the commissioners. Besides making the laws these commissioners select their manager, who should be a good executive, trained in municipal administration. There are other necessary qualifications besides these two—not the least of which is a keen sense of humor— but a well selected commission is sure to insist upon all of these necessary qualifications.

The administrative branch of the government is divided into three or five departments, depending upon the size of the community. In the larger cities there is the department of service, or public works; safety or police, fire, buildings and weights and measures; finance, having the auditor's and treasurer's functions; law and health and welfare departments, having to do with health, recreation, sanitary and social service. In the smaller cities the government is so organized as to divide all these activities logically into three departments instead of five. As the commission is careful to select a well trained and thoroughly qualified man as city manager, the manager, in order to have a successful administration, satisfactory to his commission, must carefully select men trained in the various fields or particularly qualified for the various functions or activities in the administrative departments of the government. Such services can be secured by an executive who has the power of appointment where it is almost impossible to select the same kind of service through the ballot. It naturally follows that men having such qualifications generally hold good positions and they are not the men who are generally found to be running for office. Moreover, it is seldom that such men are such "good fellows" or good politicians, if you please, as to be able to be elected. The business man, the accountant, the engineer ordinarily is not a "glad-hander" and therefore a poor candidate.

The department heads, three or five, selected by the manager, in turn select by appointment the heads of the various divisions in their departments, all of whom are responsible to the manager, who in turn is responsible to the commission. The success of the commission depends largely upon a proper administration of the city's affairs, the success of the manager depends entirely upon the type of man he selects as his subordinates.

Under this plan, the commission-manager government, there is bound to be a complete harmony and co-operation between all departments and divisions of the government and a coordination of all the activities of these various departments. It is absolutely impossible for one department to work against another, to get favors at the expense of another or to fail to co-operate with all departments, as all are under control of a single executive or chief administrative officer. This eliminates one of the most serious objections to the old plan, a "paying for place" and "working for the edge" between departments, at the sacrifice of others. The election of the commission at large eliminates the log rolling cities have experienced under ward or district elected councilmen. Under the commission-manager plan, both the commission and the manager, as well as the department heads treat the city as a unit and do not look upon it from the viewpoint of one ward or district as compared to another. All plans for the betterment of conditions must be city-wide plans. All functions must be taken care of from the standpoint of the city at large. All policies must be treated on the basis of the city as a single unit

What has been accomplished in commission-manager cities is the most potent factor we have upon which to judge the practicability of this more centralized form These accomplishments form the basis for the argument that centralized responsibility and authority insure results that the commission-manager charter furnishes the best tools with which to work These accomplishments are responsible for the rapid spread of the movement for commission-manager government throughout the country and the growth of this plan during the past several years.

Dayton, Ohio, the largest city yet to adopt commission-manager government, has gained nation-wide publicity as the result of the vast accomplishments in that city during the past three years. Instead of continuing the policy of piling up current debt which had been Dayton's experiences for the past four or five years, before the new order of things, under commissioner-manager government the Ohio city not only paid off, the first year of its operation, seventy-five thousand dollars of the current or floating debt, but gave approximately one hundred thousand dollars in increased service; all without increasing taxes or municipal revenues. This was accomplished as similar results on a smaller scale have been accomplished in other city manager cities by eliminating waste, by centralized purchasing on a competitive basis, by giving one hundred worth of cents service for each tax dollar. There is no longer a floating debt in Dayton, and, in addition to the city's living within its income and meeting the bonds as they become due, the sinking fund has been increased from $125,000 to $180,000.

All Ohio cities are in bad financial straights at the present time, due to state tax limitation laws, except Dayton, Springfield and Sandusky, three commission-manager governed cities and these three are the only cities living within their income at the present time. Dayton has increased its fire protection facilities and systematic fire inspections were inaugurated and fire loss has been decreased fifty per cent. Municipal recreation is provided in a number of city parks and playgrounds. Municipal band concerts are given in these parks. City baseball leagues have been organized and are now planning to build a large stadium. A municipal music league now brings to the city every two or three weeks of the winter the highest grade of musical talent of the country in concerts, including the best symphony orchestras and the leading metropolitan and other grand opera singers. Tickets for the season of seven or eight concerts sell for three dollars and the auditorium—seating more than three thousand—is packed to capacity at every concert. The price is the same throughout the house and seats are assigned by drawing at each concert—a thoroughly democratic plan. Clerks and shop girls in large numbers are subscribers to these tickets and buy them on a club basis. Such are developing continually a desire for better music. At the outset the professional promoter was very much opposed to this idea, believing that the municipal concerts would kill his business. The facts are that patronage at concerts promoted by these professionals has increased several fold due to the increased demand for high grade music from the best talent of the country. All of the nursing organizations—there are five such organizations—are now combined in the welfare department. Duplication of money and effort has in this way been eliminated and a greater amount of work is being accomplished at less cost. That the people of Dayton believe in their government is best manifested by the results of a bond election recently when the electors by a very large majority authorized bonds in the amount of one million dollars for city-wide improvement. And all of this opening within a short time after Dayton suffered such serious financial loss due to the flood of 1913.

Dayton placed all city labor on 8-hour basis instead of the ten-hour basis instead of the ten-hour pay for the eight-hour day.

Instead of suffering a water famine every summer, Dayton now furnishes, through its municipal plant, a supply much greater than the demand. This accomplishment within two years of commission-manager government, where under the old plan Dayton labored for eight years trying to find a solution to their problem. And for the first time their municipal waterworks is on a self sustaining basis. A municipal garbage plant, another problem which worried Dayton for a number of years, has been erected and not only meets operating expenses, but shows a surplus of about twenty thousand dollars a year.

Jackson, Michigan, has increased materially its sinking fund; has paid off old debts; reorganized police and fire departments; instituted a thorough accounting control is operating within its income and justified in many ways its existence. Annual reports of the Jackson commission are most interesting.

Niagara Falls has completed a number of important public improvements in streets, sewers, waterworks and other departments. Bureau of health has been centralized, inspection of food products inaugurated, motorization of the fire department accomplished; reduced the tax rate 97 cents per thousand upon the old valuation, and, most important for Niagara Falls, have secured for the first time in many years, law enforcement.

Grinnell, Iowa, has just finished four hundred thousand feet of sewers, fifteen miles of well paved streets, a complete sanitary sewer system.

Winetka, Illinois, has placed the municipal electric plant on a self sustaining basis and out of surplus earnings has built a hundred thousand dollar city hall.

Beaufort, S. C., has eliminated warring factions among the citizenship; reduced interest rate on debt from seven to five per cent; started a sinking fund; saved two thousand dollars in reorganization of police and fire departments; saves four hundred tons of coal per year in the water pumping station; reduced ordinary expenses 15 per cent

Sandusky, Ohio, in addition to living within its income, reduced the interest on debt from 6 to 5 per cent and is reducing its floating debt thirty-three thousand dollars Elimination of grade crossings; shows material saving in the operation of the waterworks department, reducing pumpage approximately 10 per cent by eliminating leaks.

La Grande, Oregon, now has money in the treasury to meet all the warrants, where before city warrants went to protest and had to be held for months by manufacturers and supply houses, and even city employees for salaries.

In St. Augustine, Florida, we have saved and stopped operating the government by deficit; our expenditures are kept within the income; our current or floating debt, which we inherited in 1915, when city-manager government became operative, was reduced the first year 33 1-3 per cent and the balance will be reduced 50 per cent this year and wiped out entirely in February 1918. Tax values have been equalized and the valuations changed from the old basis varying from 18 to 70 per cent, to full cash basis, with all properties on 100 per cent basis; the tax roll was increased from two million to a little more than nine million The tax levy has been decreased from 30 mills to seven mills. We have adopted a scientific budget and installed one of the most modern accounting systems devised for controlling municipal finances. The appropriation of each dollar is by department, division and function. In this way we have pre-arranged annual program. Water survey has been completed for providing for the extension of the distribution system and a supply of softer water, to give better fire protection and to get rid of the present very hard water. A test well has been driven, giving us water half as hard as the present supply. This year we hope to carry bonds to carry through the entire improvement. The water force main from the pumping station to the center of the city was cleaned, increasing the flow from 900 gallons to 1778 gallons per minute with the same number of pounds pressure at the pumps. The fuel cost has been reduced 26.9 per cent. Storm water sewers have been cleaned and where water stood upon the streets from ten to thirty hours heretofore the streets are now cleared in from five to fifteen minutes. We operated last year at a saving of approximately $25,000 to the city. Engineering data has been secured of all existing conditions, where before there were no records whatever. The saving in purchase the past year has amounted to about $11,000, including $6,800 on the restoration of old valves in place of buying new ones which had been recommended and authorized by the previous administration. We have decreased the interest rate on the current debt from 8 per cent to 4. Cost records are kept showing detailed costs of every activity, giving us comparisons from one period to another. Fire and police reporting and recording system has been installed; band concerts are provided weekly and municipal street dances monthly.

Visiting nurse and social services have been provided. In place of pauperizing unfortunates who find themselves without means of livelihood by giving them regularly so many dollars per month, we now find jobs for these people, encourage them to support themselves and temporarily furnish groceries, fuel and medical service; in place of paying them $4.00 monthly as heretofore allowed, we are supplying these unfortunates with $5.40 worth of provisions at an increased cost to the city of only 32 cents. A sinking fund is now established; marshal and survey has been completed which will reclaim for the city a large amount of valuable land. The city plan board has been awarded a contract for preparation of a city plan to control the future development of the city. This plan when completed will be submitted to the electors for ratification and if ratified will bind the city to a definite policy for years to come We have just awarded a new contract for street lighting on a five-year basis. This contract showing a saving of almost 20 per cent—in other words we will be able to light the city and light it better—for six years at the cost of five years under the old contract. We are designing a city-wide sanitary sewer system and will commence this work next year, after the waterworks improvements are completed. Fire inspections have been started and are showing material results in the elimination of fire hazards and the reduction of fire hazards. We immediately provided the eight-hour day for all city labor and have just increased wages 16 per cent, that the wage earner may meet the increased cost of living.

These accomplishments are responsible for changing materially the sentiment in St. Augustine in favor of progressive government. Our charter was adopted in June 1915 by a bare majority of 18 votes. In November 1916 the electorate voted to sustain the present plan by a majority of more than two and one-half to one, in the election of a charter board pledged to the continuation of a commission manager government, and the three city commissioners led the ticket. Certain changes are being drafted by this board, at the present time, to eliminate some of the faults and further improve our present charter and this will be submitted to the electors within the next several months for their adoption. In the main there are no fundamental changes to be made.

I could go on enumerating similar accomplishments in many other commission manager governed cities, but I do not desire to take up more of your time as I think it better to close and give any additional time over to you that you may ask any questions you may desire, which I shall endeavor to answer.

I thank you.

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The WEEK'S DOINGS

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J. Y. Detwiler returned Sunday from a visit in Daytona.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Hofrieter were visitors in Daytona Monday.

Mrs. C. O. Williams spent Tuesday in St. Augustine visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bridier were visitors in Daytona Saturday.

Briggs Branning was down from St. Augustine for the week end.

C. J. Norman spent Monday and Tuesday in Palatka on business.

Miss Margeret Taylor of Gainesville is a guest at the home of D. P. Smith.

*I will sell my business, stock and fixtures, reasonable for cash. JOHN DEMOS.

Miss Fearn Hibbard was home from DeLand for the week end, returning Sunday.

Mrs. F. N. Holley went to Jacksonville Friday for the week end and returned home Sunday.

*Break your cold or lagrippe with a few doses of 666.

Mrs. J. R. Mathews went to Sebastian Monday to spend the week visiting her parents.

Mrs. E. M. Little and children returned Sunday from a visit with relatives and friends in St. Augustine.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bennett went to St. Augustine Tuesday and will remain for a week as the guests of relatives.

Miss Nora Ward went to St. Augustine Wednesday and will remain there for a week with relatives and friends.

**Valuable piece of property for sale. See J. R. BERRY.

*Every Saturday is pay day for weekly subscribers of the Times-Union. Come to Lee Scalf's barber shop and pay up.

Miss Orplia Berkley, of St. Augustine, who was the guest of friends here last week returned to her home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Daly and baby returned this week from Sumter, S. C., where they have been visiting relatives for a time.

*Dr. Farr, specialist. Phone 107.

A mask ball was given in the Coronado clubhouse Wednesday night, which was attended by a large number of masked dancers.

Mrs. John Coleman and little daughter, Pauline, returned Monday after a four weeks' visit with relatives in Savannah, Ga.

Mrs. S. Waldrep and daughter and son returned Tuesday from Jacksonville, where they have been visiting relatives for several days.

Mrs. W. O. Brown returned Saturday from Jacksonville, where she has been visiting at the home of her daugter, Mrs. L. Copeland.

The Boy Scouts are planning to hike to the old sugar mill near Port Orange tomorrow. They will start from this city at 9 o'clock in the morning.

The pupils of the eighth grade of the public school are busy getting the ground in readiness to plant a spring garden, as soon as the seed arrives.

Miss Harriette Crane came over from DeLand, where she is attending Stetson university, Friday, and will remain at home for a couple of weeks.

Mrs. Mary McConnell, state president of the Rebekah assembly, returned to her home in Tampa Saturday, after a visit here with Mrs. T. H. Moore.

C. R. Welby, of Atlanta, and J. P. Cochran, of West Palm Beach, representatives of the Gulf Refining company, were in the city Monday, and guests at the Rio Vista hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris and daughter Miss Winnie Kirby, who have been visiting for two months at the home of S. Ross, left this week for Smith's Grove, Ky.

Henry Carter, aged 65, one of the best known among the colored residents of New Smyrna, died last week and the body was buried in the Larkin cemetery.

*For Rent.—Very desirable suite of rooms for housekeeping; bath, sewerage, electric lights; or a large bedroom; all furnished. Address Furnished Rooms, News Office.

The meeting of the Junior Civics will be held Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Woman's club room and a good attendance of the members is desired.

*Let Herrick Fix it.

L. B. Miller was a visitor in Daytona Wednesday.

*Rub-My-Tism—Antiseptic, Relieves Rheumatism, Sprains, Neuralgia, etc.

Mrs. C. G. Herrick and Mrs. M. W. Ashton drove to Daytona Monday afternoon and listened to the orchestra concert.

A. A. Buck, general manager for the Brevard County Telephone company, was in the city from his home at Indianola on business Saturday.

John B. Culpepper, Jr., came up Saturday from New Smyrna to assist his father in the big revival services being conducted in New Augustine.—St. Augustine Record.

Judge and Mrs. Doggett, Miss Carita Daggett and Miss Hodson, formed a motor party from Jacksonville, which spent two days this week at the Ocean House.

*Lee Scalf's barber shop is doing the leading business. He has added a first class white barber. Everything clean. Well, that's where I will have my work done from now on.

A motor party composed of Mrs. W. E. Goldsmith, Mrs. J. R. Walker, Mrs. Swain and Miss Jeanie Morgan came up from Titusville Sunday for a visit with Mrs. Mattie King.

Harry B. Field, who, with Mrs. Field has been a guest for several weeks at the Rio Vista hotel, left yesterday on the return trip to his home in Chicago. Mrs. Field will remain here for a stay of several weeks longer.

Louis Wehrheim and daughter, Miss Anna, of Sparta, Ill., who are spending their third winter in New Smyrna, attended the fair at Orlando last week and report good exhibits in all departments and a large attendance

The regular meeting of the Ladies Aid society of the Methodist church, South, was held Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. R. O. Vaughn. There was a good attendance. Refreshments of grape juice and cake were served

Next Sunday evening Miss Tobitha Remington will lead the Christian Endeavor at the Congregational church. The theme will be "Service." All young people are invited to this meeting.

William Warnock arrived Monday from his home in Jamaci, Long Island New York, and went on down to Eldora, where he will take an inventory of the property left by his father, who died suddenly recently.

P. N. Cornwell, of Columbus, Ohio, was in the city yesterday, stopping over here for a visit with his friend, J. S Duss. Mr. Cornwell is on his way down to Auburndale to look after an orange grove he owns at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Noble and daughter, Miss Caroline, who have been here the greater part of the season at Mrs. C. E. Pitzer's, will leave this morning on their return to their northern home in Southington, Conn

Mrs. S. M Veronee returned Wednesday from St. Augustine, where she had been with Mr. Veronee, who is recovering from the effects of an operation in the hospital. Mr Veronee is improving rapidly now.

Rev. Robt. A. George begins next Sunday night a new series of lectures on "The Life of the Man Jesus." These lectures will be illustrated with beautiful stereoptican pictures. Children and young people are especially invited to attend these lectures.

Hon. J. K. Flood, of Hart, Mich., and Miss Etta Russell, of Detroit, who have been visiting Judge and Mrs. F. J. Russell here for a few days, left Monday on their return trip to their homes in the north. They were accompanied as far as Daytona by Judge and Mrs. Russell.

W. H. Schreck, of New Smyrna, has purchased the interest of Billie Young in the Ocean fish market at the Oyama arcade. Mr. Schreck has been interested in the wholesale fish market for seven years and has supplied various local firms with fish. He anticipates a good patronage and will add new and sanitary equipment.—Daytona Journal.

*Dr. B. H. Farr, New Smyrna's successful osteopath physician, attributes his wonderful results, both in acute and chronic diseases that have run the gamut of medical and surgical specialists and sanitariums, to the fact of his training in, not one, but in the three most popular branches of the healing art in this country, namely: Osteopathy, Medicine, and Chiropractic. Thus he is able to diagnose and treat both predisposing and exciting causes of disease as can no physician with only one method of diagnosis at his command. This is Dr. Farr's third winter in New Smyrna.

*Let Herrick fix it.

Mr. and Mrs. H. U. Bonnet and Mrs. J. Y. Detwiler drove down to Stuart Saturday, taking Mrs. T. Heck and Mrs. L. Fallis of Toledo, O., who have been visiting here, that far on a trip down the coast. Mr. and Mrs. Bonnet arrived home Sunday night and Mrs. Detwiler returned home Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Swinford entertained a number of friends at an oyster roast last Friday, after which the time was pleasantly passed in playing euchre. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. A. Piper, Mr. and Mrs. C. Swinford, Mr. and Mrs. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Battels, Mrs. Obenchain and daughter, Miss Edith.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Pechin of St. Paul, Minn., and Mrs. C. H. Hemming and son Kent, of Rockford, Ill., arrived Monday and are guests at the home of G. H. Crane. Mrs. Pechin and Mrs. Hemming are sisters of Mrs. Crane. Mr. Pechin is general manager of the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha railroad and the party made the trip here in his private car.

Silver Tea at Woman's Club

A silver tea will be given Saturday afternoon, March 9th, at the Woman's club, when Mesdames Van Duesen and Bouchelle will entertain. A good program is being arranged for the occasion.

Woman's Club Card Party

There will be a card party given by the house committee of the Woman's club, in the club room this (Friday) evening, beginning at 8 o'clock. Five hundred and auction will be played and a cordial invitation is extended to the men and women.

Seminole Sun Dance

Special rates are being offered by the Florida East Coast Railroad for the Seminole Sun Dance to be held at West Palm Beach March 3, 4, 5 and 6, limited to return up to midnight of March 12. The round trip rate is $7.50 from New Smyrna.

Bazaar and Supper Success

The annual bazaar and supper given by the Ladies Aid of the Congregational church Tuesday afternoon and evening was a decided success from every point of view and a neat sum of money was realized by the ladies from the supper and the sale of fancy articles of food. The proceeds from the bazaar ammunted to $125.

U. D. C. Meeting

The United Daughters of the Confederacy met Friday at the home of Mrs. J. C. McCullough, and a good meeting was enjoyed by the members Two new applications for membership were received at this time. Refreshments of ambrosia and cake were served. The next meeting will be with Mrs. B. H. Wilson.

Trinity Quarterly Meeting

The first quarterly meeting of the conference year will be held next Sunday. Dr. Luther D. Rader, of Miami, will conduct the 11 o'clock service and preach. The pastor will preach in the evening. Dr Rader will also conduct a service at Coronado at 3 o'clock. A cordial invitation to all members and friends to attend these services.

LEWIS D. MOORE, Pastor.

Dollar Social

The ladies of the Trinity M. E. church held a "dollar social" Tuesday night at the church. There was a splendid crowd gathered and all enjoyed the evening. Verses and rhymes were read, telling how each one earned her money and these were amusing and entertaining. Fruit punch and cake were served and $25 added to the treasury. Miss Edith Newell entertained with piano solos, and Miss Warnheim delighted the audience with several readings.

WASHINGTON BIRTHDAY BALL ENJOYED BY MANY

Thoroughly enjoying the hospitality of the new Rio Vista hotel, several hundred guests and home people participated in the Washington birthday ball last Thursday night. The spacious lobby was cleared for the dancing, which furnished amusement for the gaily dressed women and well groomed men until midnight. The Washington birthday ball was enjoyed by about as large a number as the opening ball the week previous and was one of the most enjoyable spcial affairs ever given in New Smyrna.

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The statement issued by Sidney Maddox, of the Palm Beach hotel, at Palm Beach, that he proposed to erect a 400-room hotel on his property at Palm Beach, adjoining his present hotel and have the building ready for occupancy by next fall, was followed a few days later by the announcement of Carl Enoch Carlson, a Boston capitalist, that he had purchased lot No. 1 of the tract between the Ryman place and Orange Grove park, and he would erect a six-story hotel, to be known as the Ritz-Carlson, and that it would open when the 1918 season started.

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IT'S IN THE FLAVOR—Where is the enjoyment in coffee if it isn't in the flavor? Yes, the flavor is the whole thing. Our special blends are just bursting with flavor. If they do not please you, we will refund the price; per pound, 40c, 35c, 30c and 25c.

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Lenten Services

There will be Litany and a short Lenton reading in the Grace Episcopal church this (Friday) afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

The editor of the Herald suffered for the best part of two years with chills and fever, contracted by exposure in the lake region of the central part of the peninsula of Florida. He tried every known and recognized remedy until a gentlemen in Savannah, Ga., gave him a specific for which the gentleman said he payed $20.00. The writer tried it and was cured Here it is: 25 grains of quinine, 2 drams of aromatic sulphuric acid, 2 ounces of rain or distilled water. Dose: one teaspoonful three times a day—one just before each of the three meals—protect the teeth, as the sulphuric acid (elixir of vitrol) will ruin them. This is a certain cure for malarial fever. In some cases hydromic acid may be substituted for sulphuric, but sulphuric is the best.—Punta Corda Herald.

WEATHER REPORT

for the week ending Feb. 26, as reported by Frank J. Nordman, co-operative observer:

Date	High	Low	Rainfall
19	86	60	00
20	79	64	.00
22	81	61	.00
23	79	53	.00
24	85	55	.00
25	85	55	.00
26	85	57	.00

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CORONADO

Mr. and Mrs. Allen, of Toledo, Ohio, and W. Allen of Muncie, Indiana, are stopping at the Corny house.

Mrs. J. Y. Detwiler returned from Stuart Tuesday where she had been visiting friends for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hathaway came down from Daytona Beach to spend the week end at the Compton home.

Robert Bartenstein, of South Hampton, N. Y., came Monday to be with his father, who has been ill at the Corny house.

Mrs Wilbur Myers and son Richard, of Springfield, Ohio, are spending a few days with Mrs. Peck, Mrs. Myers' mother They are all registered at the Barber house

Harry Hinkson of Elyria, Ohio, who is spending the winter at Coronado, had quite a tussle with, but succeeded in landing a 150 pound stingeree, Thursday afternoon at Coronado Beach. It was the largest one caught around here this season, measuring three feet and three inches across and eight feet and ten inches long. Quite a crowd congregated to see the big fish, auto loads coming over from New Smyrna, and several pictures were taken of it.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a bill will be presented to the Legislature of the State of Florida at its next regular session in accordance with laws made and provided to designate, locate and perpetuate, as New Smyrna Beach that territory, "Situated on the Sea Shore, south of the Bar of Mosquito, at a place formerly cultivated by Dr. Turnbull," on the peninsula opposite New Smyrna, Fla., and embraced in sections 1, 5, 9, 55 and 56, in town ship 17, S. R. 34 E., Meridian of Florida (mar2-apr27)

STRANGERS

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SUNDAY MORNING AND EVENING

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WARRANTY DEEDS AND OTHER INSTRUMENTS RECORDED IN OFFICE OF CLERK TO THE CIRCUIT COURT

Instruments affecting property in Volusia county have been recorded in the office of he clerk of the circuit court during the last week

WARRANTY DEEDS

Ed F Waterman and Ida A Waterman to Magdalena Otahorski and Stephen Otahorski the N½ of lot 7 sec 3, twp 18 S R 31 E

A C Myers and Laura M Myers to Robert M Payton the SE¼ of the N E¼ of the NE¼ of sec 15 twp 17 S R 30 E

A D Abbott to Aurice W Perkins lot 11, block 4 Waits second add to DeLand

Alias A Bryant and Abbie H Bryant to Nellie Fuller the E 206 feet of the N½ of lot 3 and the E 206 feet of the S½ of lot 4 block 17 Daytona

W W Marshall and Della N Marshall to Ada A Silsby lot 12 block 2 W W Marshall's sub of his property Daytona Beach

Charles A Kenney and Neal L Kenney to Mrs Nettie A Coburn the N 50 feet of lot 4 block 18 Horns sub of block 19, Memento, also block 18 Seabreeze

William O Richardson to Florence Byrd beginning at the center of public road 344 chains E of the NW corner of the SE¼ of the SE¼ thence S 15 chains, thence E 8 chains thence N on center of road westerly to starting point being in the SE¼ of the SE¼ sec 2 twp 15 S R 28 East

F J Harpster and Alice Harpster to Mrs Louisa Bailey lot 5 block 24 (no town indicated in deed)

Joseph B Smith and Lottie Smith to Henry Williams the N 36 feet of lot 4 sub of the W½ of the SE¼ of sec 5 twp 19 S R 31 E

Albert Dickinson and Emma L Dickinson to Belle Parker Scott lot 3, block 22 Orange City

Lois F Merriman and C H Merriman to Peter Pierson the S½ of the E½ of the SE¼ of the NE¼ of sec 34 twp 14 R 28 E

J W Moore and Elizabeth Moore to Cordelia ... the S½ of the SE ¼ sec 2 twp 17 S R 0 E

John ... and ... Town ... Daytona

... to Leto ... Rogers sub ... of the NW¼ of sec 1 ... twp 17 S R 4 E

George H Ludwig and J W Wilkinson to Arthur Glenn lots 8 9 Ludwig and Wilkinson sub of lots 1 2 3 block 11 Daytona

John Anderson to Elizabeth ... lot 23 block 1 sub ... Vega Ormond

Jacob W Wilbur and Addie V Wilbur to Edwin M Trallam lots 310 and 311 plat 2 of Wilbur by the Sea

Joe A Dean and Sarah M Dean to S Bob Dean an undivided ½ interest in and to the W½ of lot 10 sub of the S½ of the N½ of lot 4 block 31 Daytona

Bunnell Development Co to Fred Hayes tract 2 block A sec 4, twp 13 S R 30 E

William T Halliday Raymond H Parker and Olga V Parker to William H Eller lot 7 block 30 R H Parker's sub of Delespine Grant twp 19 R 34 L

Olliver J Miller and Jessie Miller to Anna S Howard lot 18 block 9 Bush and Stewart's sub of all that portion of lot 1 sec 4 twp 15 S R 33 East

Harvey L Wright and Mary M Wright to L N Muren the E½ of the SE¼ of the SW¼ sec 10 twp 19 S R 32 E

Duncan James Stewart and Adeline A Stewart to William B Wheeler lot 1, with the buildings thereon plat 1 of Wilbur by the Sea

Conrad Oates to the Trustees of the African Methodist Episcopal church of Port Orange lot 18, sub of lot 1 sec 4 twp 16 S R 33 E

Anna K Erregger to Priscilla C Brown lot 17 byock 36 East Daytona

Volusia Development Co to James P McMillan part of tract 11 part of Volusia Development Co's sub in sec 26 twp 13 S R 31 E

Indian Springs Land Co to John Brija tract 11 block 1 sec 4 twp 18 S R 32 E

Florida Land and Settlement Co to Martin C Swinney, tract 5, block 4, NW¼ of the SE¼, sec 12, twp 19, S R 32 E

Jennie M Marot and Bessie Marot Davis and Joseph Davis to H C Longstreet, beginning at a point which is 267 feet W from the middle of a shell road, so called Peninsular ave, on the S line of the N 100 feet of the S 200 feet of lot 6, in block 1, George J Alden's sub of the Walker Grant; run thence northerly and parallel with the shell road so called Peninsular ave, 425 feet thence W to the Hillsboro river, thence southerly along river to the S line of the N 100 feet of the S 200 feet of lot 6, block 1, thence E along said S line of the N 100 feet of the S 200 feet of lot 6, block 1, to the place of beginning

Stanley Charles William Wynn Mackenzie, A C G Wynn Mackenzie Cochran and George Cochran, C Gladys Thomas and A Newberry Thomas and Kenneth Wynn Mackenzie to I I Moody and J F Lambert, and George Moody the John Bunch Grant, in sec 39, twp 13, S R 31 and 32 E

QUIT CLAIM DEEDS

William DewHurst and Fannie B DewHurst to I I Moody George Moody and J F Lambert the John Bunch grant sec 39 twp 13 S ranges 31 and 32 E

Samuel Flowers to Mrs Nancy Brown Weeks beginning at the NW corner of the NW¼ of the SW¼ of sec 21 twp 13 S R 28 E, thence S 33 feet thence E 662 feet, thence N 33 feet thence W 662 feet to the place of beginning

Gertrude Bading to Lucy Esteppe, the W½ of the E½ of the NW¼ of the NE¼ sec 11 twp 13 S R 29 E

Wesley R Phillips to William R Yelvington the S 54 feet of lot 11 block 1 Wilder's sub of the Bethune Grant sec 40 twp 15 S R 33 E

W M Clifton and Annie Clifton to Bond Lumber Co the E½ of the NW ¼ sec 28 twp 15 S R 33 E

Charles M Wilder and Alexina W Wilder Stephen H Wilder and Edith C Wilder and Parker H Wilder to William Yelvington the S 54 5 feet of lot 11 block 2 and the S 54 5 feet of lot 11 block 2 the N 49 feet of lot 12 block 1 and the N 49 feet of lot 12 block 2 Wilder's sub of the Bethune Grant sec 40 twp 15 S R 33 East

Theckla A Pellett and Major M Pellett to William Yelvington the S 54 5 feet of lot 11 block 1 and the S 54 5 feet of lot 11 block 2 Wilder's sub of the Bethune Grant sec 40 twp 15 S R 33 L

Amelia L Dailey to Eula Day the W½ of the SW¼ of the NE¼ of the SE¼ sec 9 twp 17 S R 30 L

F F Savage and Sarah J Savage to John H Carrow T M Bangs and Sarah A Bangs as trustees of the public hall at Port Orange to the town of Port Orange the E 125 feet of lot 4 block M Port Orange

John H ... Hawks to the town of Port Orange the ... of lot 4 ... M Port Orange

... W M Daniels and Belle R ... town of Port Orange ... of lot 4 block M Port Orange

Mary J Colloty to D Land Realty Co lot ... and the S½ of lot D block H Richs add to DeLand

U S Patent Homestead Certificate No 1858

United States of America to George Amos the SE¼ of the SE¼ of sec 20 the SW¼ of the SW¼ of sec 21 the NE¼ of the NE¼ of sec 29 and the NW¼ of the NW¼ of sec 28 twp 17 S R 30 L

Amy A Mathers and W T Mathers to the Florida Land and Settlement Co certain tracts and pieces of land lying in Volusia county making in all a total of 53690 acres more or less

SPECIAL MASTERS DEED

I R P Daniels Jr, as special master in chancery to the Florida Land and Settlement Co certain tracts and pieces of land lying and being in Volusia County making in all a total of 53690 acres more or less

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African Giants

There are many giants in Africa nine feet high Some of them weigh 300 pounds and are strong enough to kill a panther at one blow Perhaps you think such big fellows must be clumsy but they are not They can run faster than any horse springing twelve to fourteen feet at a leap This all sounds like a fairy story, but not so when you hear that these African giants are—ostriches

Save the Cranes and Rail Birds

Two North American birds that are in great immediate need of protection are the white crane and his distant cousin the Carolina rail or sora The former, once a denizen of the western prairies is almost extinct, and the sandhill crane also seems in danger The Caroline rail is in great demand as a table delicacy —Exchange

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Coffee and Pianos.

There is a close relation between the coffee industry and the piano business in Guatemala Whenever there is a good year for coffee in the republic there is a better demand for pianos.

No man can do nothing, and no man can do everything —German.

LEGAL NOTICES

SPECIAL ELECTION NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a resolution adopted by the City of New Smyrna, Florida, on the 6th day of February, A D, 1917, the special election will be held in said city for the purpose of affording registered, qualified electors of said city who own and pay taxes on real and personal property in said city the opportunity of voting upon and deciding the question as to whether or not bonds of said city shall be issued for the following purpose

$10 000 bonds for the erection, extension and completion of a water works system

Electors in order to be qualified to vote at said special election, shall have been registered and shall own real and personal property in said city and pay taxes thereon

That said special election shall be held on the 3rd day of April, A D, 1917, between the hours of 8 A M and sundown P M at the following polling places in said city, to-wit:

The Council Chambers at the City Hall of said City

Said bonds shall bear interest at the rate of six per cent per annum shall be in denominations of $1000 each and be payable in gold coin of the United States of America of the present standard of weight and fineness, payable semi annually on the 1st day of May and November at the banking house of the National Bank of Commerce of the City and State of New York or at such other place as Council shall prescribe

Bonds to mature in ten and fifteen years respectively as provided in the resolution adopted calling said election and shall be in such form and contain such recitals, and shall be executed in such manner as the City Council may prescribe

BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL the 6th day of February, A D, 1917

H E ZIPPERER,
Mayor of the City of New Smyrna
Attest C L DOHN,
City Clerk, City of New Smyrna.
(feb9-mar9)

Notice of Application for Tax Deed Under Section 8 of Chapter 4888, Laws of Florida.

Notice is hereby given that C J Norman, purchaser of Tax Certificate No 816 dated the 1st day of June, A D 1914 has filed said certificate in my office and has made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law Said certificate embraces the following described property situated in Volusia County Florida to wit Lots 2 and 4 E of Road Sub of Lot 5 and NW¼ of SW¼ Sec 19 Twp 17 S Range 34 E

The said land being assessed at the date of the issuance of such certificate in the name of Bradley Fertilizer Co. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law tax deed will issue thereon on the 27th day of March A D 1917

Witness my official signature and seal this the 23rd day of February A D 1917 SAML D JORDAN
Clerk Circuit Court Volusia County Florida By CLIFFORD BOTTS
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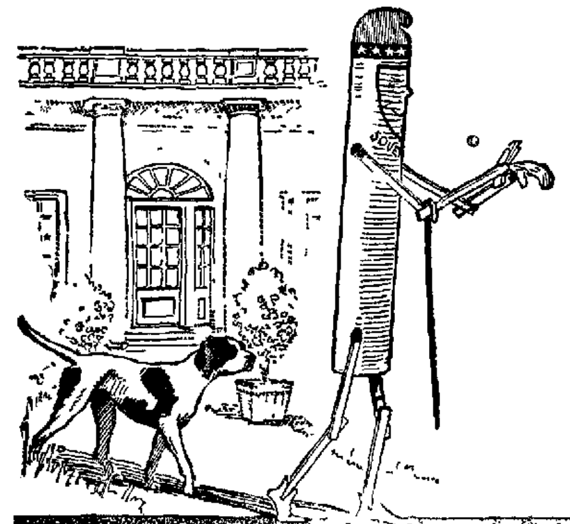

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I'm mighty glad I was born a real Southerner. Just suppose I had been an Eskimo, or an Indian, or something with rings in my nose and ears!

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In time of peace prepare for war! Winter in Florida is the peace time with the mosquito, but he, or rather she, declares war, active, agressive war, within a few minutes after the latest chilly spell in the spring and never hoists the white flag until about the time our winter visitors begin to crowd our hospitable hotel piazzas.

There is no use denying the fact that Florida is rich in her mosquito fauna, and they are about as voracious as their relatives in Chicago park on a summer evening or in that famous resort known as the Jersey Flats. But we, in Florida, don't have to suffer from their attentions if we really don't want to. Honestly, we don't ask or want the sympathy or the pity of our northern friends who might think we are entitled to either.

By carefully screening our homes, our sleeping porches, our bedrooms and our beds, we manage to keep the mosquito at a distance—on the outside looking in and buzzing her disappointment. The mosquito that distributes the germ of malaria doesn't begin work until just before sunset, and remembering this, we protect ourselves accordingly. Very few of these summer insects are active at midday or under the summer sun, so we don't need to take any extraordinary precautions during daylight hours.

And we are finding out new facts about her ladyship, the mosquito (the man mosquito is a very necessary link in the chain, but he doesn't bite nor carry disease germs) and we are beginning to appreciate her importance in relation to health matters. She has risen from the rank of a mere nuisance calculated to inculcate patience and cultivate profanity, to be respected as a first class power that never sues for peace. We have much still to learn, but we know enough to make a successful battle against her.

It is not enough to screen our houses and ourselves against her. We must fight her in her breeding places. With an incubation of ten days from one generation to the next fully developed and ready to tackle her mission in life, one healthy mosquito in April may become several billions by September. The same healthy lady can deposit enough eggs in a teaspoonful of water to actively populate a radius of 500 feet in two weeks, and the breeze may carry the progeny a mile with the wind.

A Jacksonville physician, Dr. M. B. Herlong, has recently advanced in the daily press a splendid suggestion to lessen the mosquito crop this year, and his idea should be given the widest publicity. He urged housekeepers to have the eave troughs of their homes cleaned of all accumulated refuse that could hold stagnating water, and to have the uneven places straightened so that water might flow away naturally and not remain standing in the hollow places, to afford the mosquito a breeding spot, and he insists that now is a good time to do it. The house should be looked over for such defects every year (several times a year, in fact) and spring is a perfectly good time to have it done.

But why stop with gutters under the roof? See that there is no place or chance for standing water anywhere on the premises. The mosquito will find it quicker than you will anyway, but that's no reason why you shouldn't make every effort to break up her nursery, and if some time during the season you should suffer from an epidemic of these insects, it's a fairly good reason to suspect that she has beaten you to it after all.

The doctors and health officers in Florida, or in any other state for that matter, can't undertake to keep all your surroundings disease proof, fool proof and sanitary. They can try it if they have the hearty co-operation of all the people. They will tell you all they know about preventing diseases. They will tell you how things ought to be and why, but it's too much to expect them to keep you healthful if you are not willing to do your part, and especially if you think you know more than they and won't do a thing for yourself.

Captain Francis Asbury Hendry, pioneer settler of Lee county and for half a century a leader in business and civic affairs of south Florida, died at his home in Fort Myers in his 85th year. Captain Henry was at one time the largest cattle owner in Florida. He was one of the first to introduce Jersey cattle among his herd and one of the first to ship cattle to Cuba.

Woman and the Higher Mathematics.

Salesman—Yes, lady, we sold these shirt waists for $2 each last week, but for this sale we make a reduction of 50 per cent. The price is now only $1.98. Lady—Well, that's good news. I'll take two of them.—Life.

Old Railway Cars.

An eastern railroad burns its discarded wooden cars to recover the iron in them. Before the cars are set on fire, however, they are thoroughly inspected, and all the wood available for further use is removed. The iron saved from the destroyed cars is sold as scrap.

PRACTICAL HEALTH HINT.

Cancer.

As to who are likely to have cancer and what are the signs of its approach a bulletin from the American Society For the Control of Cancer says:

"Cancer patients are often persons who have generally enjoyed good health, have never been seriously ill and who at the time of the onset of the disease were apparently in robust health. This disease is so insidious in its approach and so often without pain in the first stages that the patient often fails to pay serious attention to the sign of danger. Statistics independently gathered by many surgeons prove that the average cancer patient waits a year or more after observing some suspicious condition before seeking the treatment, which is then often too late. This disastrous delay is the main if not the sole obstacle to the successful treatment of cancer at the present time.

"The only cure for cancer is to remove every trace of the disease. The only sure way to do this is by a surgical operation. If taken at the beginning the majority of cases of cancer are curable. All cases will end in death if left alone. Records of our best hospitals prove that the chances of cure are very high with early operation and that these chances decrease with every day of delay. Early diagnosis is therefore all important."

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DECISION OF COURT WILL SETTLE LAW

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dian river with Mosquito Lagoon in a northerly direction to the town of Ormond; and further commanding and requiring said respondent to hereafter at all times and at all points along said canal and waterway from St. Johns river to Biscayne bay, maintain said canal and waterway according to the specifications prescribed by law and in compliance with its public duty at a width of not less than 50 feet and a depth of not less than 5 feet at mean low water.

And in default thereof, the said respondent, the said Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation company, be required to show cause why it refuses so to do and that thereupon a peremptory writ of mandamus be issued from this report directing and commanding the said respondent to restore and maintain said canal in the manner directed and commanded in said alternative writ of mandamus.

And as in duty bound your relator will ever pray, etc.

MOTION TO QUASH ALTERNATIVE WRIT OF MANDAMUS

Now comes the defendant, Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation company, in the above entitled cause, and moves the court to quash the alternative writ of mandamus issued therein upon the following grounds, to-wit:

1. That the allegations in said alternative writ do not state or constitute a cause of action that authorizes or entitles the relator to the remedy sought and mentioned in said alternative writ, or to the relief prayed in said alternative writ.

2. The facts stated in said alternative writ are not sufficient to authorize or entitle the relator to mandamus against said defendant as mentioned or prayed in said alternative writ.

3. That said alternative writ does not contain sufficient allegations of facts to show that the defendant is under legal duty or obligation to perform the things mentioned in said alternative writ and which it is sought or prayed therein to have the defendant commanded or compelled to do by mandamus.

4. That the alleged duties or obligations of defendant in the premises alleged in said alternative writ, are not such as the court will enforce by mandamus in the premises as prayed, commanded or required in said alternative writ.

5. That the allegations of alternative writ are too vague, indefinite and uncertain to authorize or entitle relator to mandamus as therein mentioned or prayed, or to require that they be answered by said defendant.

6. That the alleged duties or obligations sought or prayed to be enforced in said alternative writ are too vague, indefinite and uncertain to be enforced by mandamus in the premises.

7. That the said alternative writ does not state a cause of action for mandamus in the premises.

8. That the allegations of said alternative writ do not sufficiently state or show such breach of legal duty or obligation on the part of the defendant, or such failure to perform legal duties or obligations on the part of the defendant, as to authorize or require mandamus, or to entitle relator to mandamus as therein mentioned or prayed.

9. That the relief prayed or matter commanded and required in said alternative writ is too broad and cannot be granted on and in the matters alleged in said alternative writ and the law applicable thereto.

10. That it appears upon the face of said alternative writ, and the statutes and exhibits referred to therein and made a part thereof, that said canal company was not and is not under, or legally bound to perform the alleged obligations and duties alleged in said alternative writ, and which it is sought therein by mandamus to have the defendant compelled to perform.

11. Said alternative writ seeks to have defendant required and commanded to restore the said canal and waterway to a width of not less than 50 feet and a depth of not less than 5 feet at mean low water for the entire length of said canal and waterway from St. Johns river on the north to Biscayne bay on the south, and to maintain the same, but it is not alleged or shown in said alternative writ or exhibits that said canal and waterway was not, at and before the time of issuing of said alternative writ, 50 feet wide and 5 feet deep at mean low water, and maintained in proper condition from the St. Johns river to St. Augustine, and it appears affirmatively on the face of said alternative writ and exhibits that the relator had no knowledge or information that said canal and waterway from the St. Johns river to St. Augustine was not of said width and depth, and in proper condition, and relator does not inform or state to the court that such was not the fact.

12. Said alternative writ seeks to have the defendant required and commanded to restore the said canal and waterway to a width of not less than 50 feet and a depth of not less than 5 feet at mean low water for the entire length of said canal and waterway from the St. Johns river on the north to the Biscayne bay on the south, and so to maintain the same, but it is not alleged or shown in said alternative writ or exhibits that said canal and waterway was not, at and before the time of issuing of said alternative writ, 50 feet wide and 5 feet deep at mean low water, and maintained in proper condition between St. Augustine and a point at and near mile post 41 south from St. Augustine, and it does not appear that the relator had any knowledge or information that said canal and waterway from St. Augustine southward to a point at or near mile post 41 was not of said width and depth and in proper condition, and relator does not inform or state to the court that such was not the fact.

13. That said defendant was under no duty or obligation in law to maintain said canal and waterway of the width of 50 feet and the depth of five feet between the St. Johns river and St. Augustine and it appears in the statutes, mentioned or referred to in said alternative writ, that the requirement thereof to construct and maintain a canal and waterway of said width and depth was limited to the portion thereof between St. Augustine and Biscayne bay.

14. That it appears upon the face of said alternative writ and in the contract between the trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund and said defendant mentioned in said alternative writ and a copy of which is thereto attached, marked exhibit "F" and made a part thereof, that said canal company thereby contracted to cut and construct said portion of said canal betwen St. Augustine and the St. Johns river, according to said specifications, to-wit: not less than 50 feet in width and not less than 5 feet in depth, but said canal company did not contract to keep or maintain said canal, or any portion thereof between St. Augustine and the St. Johns river, of said width and depth.

15. If said canal company had contracted to keep or maintain the portion of said canal between St. Augustine and the St. Johns river, or any portion thereof, of said width and depth, such contract would not have been enforceable by mandamus.

16. That said alternative writ seeks to have the defendant required and commanded to restore the said canal and waterway to a width of not less than 50 feet and a depth of not less than 5 feet at mean low water for the entire length of said canal and waterway from the St. Johns river on the north to Biscayne bay on the south, and to maintain the same, but said defendant has no right, power or authority in law so to do in natural waterways covering or including a large part of said line of alleged canal or waterway between the St. Johns river and Biscayne bay.

17. That said alternative writ seeks to have the defendant required and commanded to restore the said canal and waterway to a width of not less than 50 feet and a depth of not less than 5 feet at mean low water for the entire length of said canal and waterway from the St. Johns river on the north to Biscayne bay on the south and including the waters of the Indian rvier, but said defendant has no right power or authority so to do in the waters of Indian river, and the waters of Indian river are not subject to any digging, dredging in, removing any obstruction therefrom or digging or maintaining any canal therein by defendant as sought to be commanded by said alternative writ, but said waters of Indian river are under the jurisdiction and authority of United States of America and all such matters in said river are controlled, directed and provided for by acts of Congress and by the government of the United States acting therein and under the laws of the United States and the state of Florida, and no such mandamus can be granted against defendant in the premises as is prayed or mentioned in the said alternative writ.

18. For other good grounds appearing in said alternative writ.

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Attorneys for Defendant, Florida Coast Line Canal and Transportation Company.

The season for calling cards has arrived. Leave your order with the News for engraved or printed calling cards of all kinds.

Gabriel Maursh, a detective, walked seventeen miles to a doctor with his throat cut and wind pipe severed, having been attacked by a fisherman while asleep in Palmetto bushes near Sarasota.

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Sunday afternoon at Boynton, a large touring car from the Poinciana hotel at Palm Beach run down and killed Mary Miller, the 7-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Biller of Converse, Indiana. The child ran out from behind a Ford, which was standing still directly in front of the large moving car.

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Two $1,000,000 additions to Tampa's resources have been assured by R. E. Olds, capitalist, automobile manufacturer and hotel owner, who announces that a corporation is being organized to manufacture farm tractors near that city and also that he will soon begin the erection of a 300-room hotel there.

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Nearly 20 per cent of the truck crops raised in Florida is irrigated according to estimates of engineers of the office of public roads and rural engineering of the United States Department of agriculture based on a recent study of irrigation in the state. In addition water is artificially supplied to a large number of citrus groves.

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4.19a	2.45a	10.34p	7.50p	4.42p	3.47p	ar E. Gallo lv	1.10p	12.26p	6.52a	5.40a	.....	11.57p
4.29a	2.54a	10.45p	7.58p	4.56p	3.54p	ar Melbne lv	1.01p	12.16p	6.44a	5.31a	.....	11.42p
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SHEPPARD BEST SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT IN STATE SAYS SUPERINTENDENT SHEATS

That the efficient efforts of County Superintendent C. R. M. Sheppard to put the schools of Volusia county on the highest possible plane are not only appreciated by the people of the county, who are the most directly interested in the schools, but by the state board of education, which has general supervision of the educational work in the state, is shown by a letter written recently by State Superintendent Sheats to Mr. Sheppard, commending him for the work done in his office.

Mr. Sheat's letter and Mr. Sheppard's reply are given below:

Mr. Sheat's Letter

Tallahassee, Feb. 22, 1917

Hon. C. R. M. Sheppard,
DeLand, Fla.

Dear Sheppard:

I feel it to be my duty to present you a bouquet while you are still in the flesh. I have just tabulated your last annual report and find it correct, made with care and precision, neatly done, figures not made over another nor scratched out and so blotted that they could not be told; in short, such a report as a selfrespecting school officer should make.

I have just read also Supt. Phillips' account of educational conditions observed in your county, and I just wanted to tell you that I regard you as the best county superintendent in the state, courageous, painstaking, industrious, and in short, deserving a promotion more than any man connected with school work.

I feel that I ought to say this to you as I have so much of the opposite to contend with, and that it is my duty to give you this word of encouragement.

Very truly yours,
W. N. SHEATS,
State Superintendent.

Mr. Sheppard's Reply

DeLand, Fla., Feb. 24, 1917

Hon. W. N. Sheats,
State Superintendent,
Tallahassee, Fla.

Dear Mr. Sheats:

Your letter of the 22nd, which came to me absolutely unexpected, hence a complete surprise, is before me, and I wish to thank you very heartily for your kind and complimentary expressions in regard to me, my office work, my annual report to you, and the general work that is being done in this county for the cause of education.

We attempt to conduct affairs in the right kind of manner; we of course sometimes do wrong, on the other hand, we accept suggestions and criticism offered in the right kind of way, with a spirit of helpfulness.

As for the annual report and its appearance on the face of it, in justice to Mrs. Winnie Rodes Taylor, who has been my bookkeeper and stenographer for the past four years, I must say that the credit is all hers.

I also appreciate the kind expressions of Mr. Phillips in his report to you in regard to my work, and your comments relative to his report.

The contents of your letter I accept as one of the greatest compliments paid to any man. I accept the same without any feeling whatever of egotism, and coming from a sincere heart. I again thank you very heartily.

Yours very truly,
C. R. M. SHEPPARD,
County Superintendent

Miss Bytha Remington was a visitor at school Tuesday afternoon.

The regular faculty meeting was held Monday afternoon after school, with nearly all the teachers present.

Report cards were handed out this week for the grades for the fifth month of this school term. There is only three more months of this school year.

The books and globe that were presented to the school last week by Mr. Detwiler are now in use in the school and are certainly appreciated by the students.

Increased Enrollment

The present enrollment was increased this week by the following incoming pupils: Lelia Mathis, on Monday, went into the first grade; J. C. Mathis went Monday into the fourth grade; and Ruby Gibson also went into the sixth grade.

An important meeting of the Parent-Teacher club will be held this afternoon at the regular place of meeting at the school house at the regular time. Every member is urged to be on hand at this meeting as the election of officers is to be held. Besides the business session, the important topic to be discussed by the club will be discipline.

The grades that have had vacancies during the past few weeks on account of measles are being gradually filled up. The third grade, from which most were absent, is now nearly complete. This epidemic came upon the school at an inopportune time, as up to this time the record of attendance had been very good. However, this is not the fault of the school nor the faculty.

The picture that Mr. Merchant took of the senior class last week was brought by him to chemistry class Tuesday and a proof taken on sensitized paper as an experiment for the pupils. The experiment was enjoyed by all. Needless to say, the picture was excellent, omitting the fact that two of the class were making faces at one another. This is one of the many times that Mr. Merchant has proven himself a good photographer.

New Electric Gong

The electric gong, which was so kindly donated to the school some time ago by the Hon. J. Y. Detwiler, was installed Thursday. The new gong was put practically in the same place as the old one, between the doors of the fourth and fifth grade rooms at the entrance. The gong is controlled by a push button in the front and has a clear ringing sound, caused by an electric trip. The bell is used for dismissal, marching and recesses. The electricians were William Woodward and Carl Langford.

Garden Started

R. E. Lenfest, demonstration agent for Volusia county, was a visitor at school Tuesday, giving a talk to the eighth grade along the lines of a corn club. A very interesting talk was given and it ended in the boys of the grade having a garden made in the rear of the school lot, upon which various things will be grown. This plot which is now being cultivated by the class was once before started about two years ago, but this time will prove a success no doubt.

The commencement programs for the senior class are soon to be ordered.

The Audubon society of the sixth grade meets today in their rooms with a very interesting program. Visitors are welcome.

Washington Programs

A few of the grades had programs commemorating Washington's birthday last Thursday. Following is the program given by the seventh grade:

Song—"Washington's Birthday."

Exercise—"Washington's Birthday," six boys, Walter Wilson, Horace Ross, Marcus Boyer, Dwight Hamilton, Randolphus Sheldon and Fred Zigrist.

Short Sketch of Washington's early Life—Clifton Scalf.

"Why We Have a Flag and Owe it Respect"—Louise Langford.

"History of the Origion of the Flag During the Revolutionary Period"—Ellen Ashton.

"Changes in the Flag and its Final Form"—Vera Marshall.

"Historical Episodes in Connection With the Flag," "Origion of Our National Song," and "Paul Jones' Great Sea Fight"—Marjorie Whitesides.

Song—"Mount Vernon Bells."

W. C. T. U. ENTERTAINS FACULTY OF THE SCHOOL

The teachers and principal of the public school were royally entertained Saturday at the home of Mrs. Gordon Silsby at Coronado Beach. The teachers went over on the 10 o'clock boat and spent the morning at the house, with Mrs. Silsby and friends entertaining them at various things. A good time was also enjoyed by them at the clubhouse, where games were indulged in. About noon a fine dinner was spread for the faculty under the trees beside the clubhouse. Everything that went for a good dinner was there, including those pies that Coronado housewives can make so good. After lunch most of the crowd went to the beach to enjoy the surf. The ladies were the guests of Mrs. G. C. Beck at their cottage on the beach, while Principal Marks made the best of the pavilion. The plunge was enjoyed after which the sights of Coronado were also enjoyed. Every courtesy and kindness was shown by Mrs. Silsby and her friends. The party returned on the 5 o'clock boat, all declaring they had spent an enjoyable day. The main purpose of this entertainment was to get the patrons of Coronado and the teachers acquainted as heretofore no opportunity has presented itself by which they could get together. The teachers present on this occasion were: Misses Wallace, Dortch, Frier, Bradford, Bouchelle, Read, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Marks, Mrs. Wallace, Mrs. Beck and Principal Marks. Much appreciation is given to the patrons of Coronado for their kind invitation.

Honor Roll Last Month

The honor roll is the smallest it has been since the start of school. This is caused by measles and grippe, that has been prevalent among the pupils. However, the attendance is beginning to pick up now and it won't be long before it will be back to normal again. This roll is for the month ending February 23rd:

First Grade—Annie Bouchelle, Teacher.
George Beck
William Cane
Charles Campbell
Harry Dixon
Addis McGlon
Sidney Wright
Henry Zipperer
Leola Lopez
Margarite Mitchell
Marie Thompson

Second Grade—Annie Pattillo, Teacher
Howard Chilton
Ivan Lopez
D. C. Silvers
Lucile DeLoach
Susie Mae Haynes
Kathleen Norman
Martha Warren

First and Second Overflow—Alice Read, Teacher
Winnie Dixon
Mary Cane
Herman Sorrells

Third Grade—Lenora Frier, Teacher
Billie Sams
Clifford Bell
J. D. Sheldon
Thelma Tanner
Alice Karrer

Fourth Grade—Gladys Bradford, Teacher
William Byrd
Lester Cann
Harold Chambers
Fred Holley
George Webb
Gertrude Karrer
May Rowe

Fifth Grade—Mrs. Leora Murray, Teacher
Wesley Griffin
Theo Jernigan
Earl Norwood
Charles Read
Willie Swoope
Jossie Zipperer
Louise Loving
Ruth Riley
Thelma Long
Delia Ridge
Mary Sullas
Helen Waterson
Mildred Wilson
Pearl Woodward

Sixth Grade—Mrs. Etta J. Beck, Teacher
Dorothy Fuller
Agnes Fairweather
Nellie Ferreira
Harriett Gause
Alice Lee McAuley
Lola Silvers
Gladys Vaughn
Clyde Webb
Lois Yarbrough
Lester Brooker
Brown Childress
Richard Scalf
Arthur Van de Sande

Seventh Grade—Mrs. Mattie King, Teache
Ellen Ashton
Vera Marshall
Elizabeth Thompson
Marjorie Whitesides
Walton Wilson

Eighth Grade—Mrs. Mollie G. Adams, Teacher
Louis Bouchelle
Walter Chilton
Irwin DeBennett
Arnold Fuller
Louis Howell
Howard Matthews
Charley McAuley
Theodore Riley
George Webster
Kenneth Marantette
Brandt Watson
Nellie Dutton
Lucy King
Lavinia Riley
Ruth Chambers

High School
Margaret Knapp
William Woodward
Lelia Brandt
Julia Dilzer
Alma Disbennett
Thelma Hayes
Ruth Jones
Joe Simmons
Lucile Dutton
Jeanette Gause
Ruby Yarbrough
Edna Greer
Whitney Hibbard
Maud Roach
Maggie Smith
Alta Webster

DIAMONDS AND HEARTS IS TO BE STAGED SOON

The high school play which the committee, consisting of William Woodward, Julia Dilzer and Gwendolyn Roach, has selected, and which will be staged after a few weeks' practice, is "Diamonds and Hearts." There were many plays from which to make a selection, but the members of the committee considered this one as the most suitable. The play itself is a comedy drama in three parts with snappy wit, and interesting escapades throughout, and with a lively finish. The cast of characters selected by the faculty and directors is a strong one, capable of producing some good amateur acting. Some of the high school scholars have seen this play produced and say it is a good one. The cast of characters selected is as follows:

Bernice Halstead ..... Julia Dilzer
Amy Halstead ..... Ruth Jones
Inez Gray ..... Lelia Brandt
Mrs. Halstead ..... Lucile Gause
Hannah Mary Barnes .. Edna Greer
Dwight Bradley ..... William Bowman
Dr. Burton ..... John Robertson
Sammy ..... Howard Willis
Abraham Barnes William Wooodward
Attorney ..... Francis Wilson
Sheriff ..... Carl Langford
Directors—Misses Dortch and Wallace, Principal G. W. Marks and Mrs. Evelyn Demaree Cooper.

The synopsis of the play is as follows:

Bernice Halstead is the step-daughter of Mrs. Halstead, who has a son and who is also anxious to have a match between her son and Bernice for financial reasons, for Bernice has a fortune at her command. She does not care very much for her step-daughter, and in fact there is little love lost on either side.

A little flirtation is carried on by Bernice with Dr. Burton, assisted by Amy Halstead and Inek Gray, which results in the mortification of Bernice. Differences result when an attempt is made by Mrs. Halstead to press her son's suit with Bernice. Bernice leaves for the country. In the country she is entertained by rough country folk, who treat her nicely. Bernice receives and rejects a proposal from Abraham Barnes. Complications arise when stolen jewels are found in her possession belonging to Mrs. Halstead. Dr. Burton happens in on the scene and falls in love with Bernice.

The next scene involves the clearing up of the suspicion and the happy ending in which Mrs. Halstead and her illustrious son are defeated and Dr. Burton and Bernice are engaged and Sammy dances together with them all as a grand ending.

HAWKS PARK

The church Aid were well pleased with their food sale and netted several dollars.

The women are busy these days getting ready for a bazaar to be held in the hall soon.

Joe Willcutt, of Cohassett, Mass., has returned to his home after a delightful two months hunting and fishing, etc., while a guest of his mother.

The card party in the hall Friday evening was greatly enjoyed by our many tourist friends. These social gatherings give all a chance to greet each other and get acquainted.

Miss Byrl Murray, who has been teaching in Hendersonville, N. C., returned home Monday, her school work being ended. Miss Murray will play the piano with the orchestra at the Rio Vista hotel the balance of the season.

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Green, of Barton, are spending their honeymoon in Florida and are at the Bay View hotel. Mr. Green has spent many winters in Florida and we are glad to have him with us and extend our congratulations and best wishes.

Col James H. Green of Boston, patriotic instructor of schools made glad the hearts of our school children on Washington's birthday, when her presented the school with a beautiful bunting flag to be flung to the breeze and wave o'er their heads day after day to remind them that they are living in "the land of the free and the home of the brave," and that this emblem of the grandest, freest country in the world will protect and care for her children. In making the presentation, Col. Green spoke as follows:

"Teachers, Scholars and Friends:

"It is with much pleasure that I once more am privileged to stand in your midst and express to you in my humble way the interest and love for Old Glory that is constantly bubbling from my heart. It is well that we should meet here under these southern skies and give a few moments devotion to the most beautiful flag that floats under heaven and stands for the greatest nation on the face of the earth. It is particularly fitting at this time, when, on the other side of the water, is war and pestilence, that we of this country should once more renew our devotion to our country and its institutions. The flag we dedicate today stands as the emblem of that country and so throughout this republic, north, south, east and west, let us stand beneath its folds and renew our pledge of allegiance to our flag and to our country for which it stands. May this flag be an incentive to all who look upon it to higher thoughts, to loftier patriotism and to better citizenship. As we stand in its presence with bared heads may there sound in sorry hearts the refrain, and the Star Spangler Banner, "Oh, long may it wave on the land of the free and the home of the brave."

Following the speech of Col Green, Mrs. C. Williams, the teacher, accepted the flag with thanks and assured Mr. Green it would float to the breeze every school day.

As the flag was raised the children repeated the allegiance to the flag, and then, led by Mrs. Wardwell with her cornet, all sang the Star Spangled Banner. Then all entered the school house, where Col. Green made some remarks and then called upon Comrade Smith, who read an interesting story of Geo. Washington, the boy surveyor.

I. S. Crawford, a member of the local school board, in his able and pleasing manner, spoke of wars and their causes. After singing "America" a social time was enjoyed by parents and patrons.

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